

Louise May Anderson was born Feb. 1, 1935 in Sidney, MT to Florence "Girlie" (Hart) and Ernest Anderson. Along with her sister Phyllis, they lived in the Midway Community until the death of her father, Ernest, whom was struck by lightning while farming. After a brief time living in Sidney, Girlie married Ernest's brother, Harry, and moved south of Sidney across the road and tracks from the Anderson School. In a modest four room house with a coal stove, outhouse, no refrigerator and a hand pump for the sink, the family grew to include four more sisters and two brothers, eight kids in all. Louise attended the Anderson School for the first eight grades before attending and graduating from Sidney High School, which is now the Middle School. In 1953, Louise married Gene Iversen at Pella Lutheran Church, of which they were very active members, and they celebrated 53 years of marriage until Gene's passing in 2003. Together they raised four children; Robert "Bob", Russell "Craig", Rhonda, and Randall "Randy." Louise was a very active person; being quite the track athlete in high school and later Gene and Louise were competitive square and ballroom dancers and enthusiastic golfers. When their kids were younger, they enjoyed their many trips camping and fishing in Yellowstone Park. Louise loved to host dinner parties at her house, which were always festive from season to season with decorations and her meticulous attention to detail. In the early days, Louise's sisters always enjoyed coming to the Iversen farm to enjoy its modern conveniences and help with the kids.

Forever a hard-working woman and wife, Louise held many different jobs through the years. Besides helping on the farm, raising beets and livestock, Louise worked at the Beauty Den, all four of Sidney's movie theaters, both the old and the new Sidney Livestock, Richland County Fairgrounds, Gene's Feed Service, Gene's Equipment, Sidney Red-E-Mix, and for over 50 years drove school bus, which she loved. She hoped to return to both the school bus and to Meadowlark Brewing where she could sit and visit

with her friends while rolling silverware. She diligently instilled her work ethic and morals into each of her children. In her youth, while working at the drive-in theatre, she was riding on the trunk of a car over the berms for some daredevil fun and injured her hip, which plagued her for the rest of her life.

Louise was a tough and resilient person whom seldom complained about her health issues. She always focused on the happy events in her life. Gramma Weez, as she was affectionally known, never forgot a birthday or anniversary. Ten grandkids and nineteen great grandkids all have had their share of opening birthday cards covered in stickers with handwritten notes. She and Gene loved attending their grandkid's activities and never missed a game. To the very end Louise took pride in her home and yard, never missing an opportunity to decorate it inside and out. She loved to look her best and never went anywhere without her hair and makeup done, always with her sparkling brooch or pin as a finishing touch.

Louise passed away on Nov. 11, surrounded by her children, from complications from her recent hip surgeries. She is lovingly survived by her: son Bob (Cathy Cerkovnik) Iversen, son Craig Iversen, daughter Rhonda (Gail Peterson), son Randy (Susan Ewen), her ten grandkids and nineteen great-grandkids, brother Jerry Anderson and sisters Phyllis Carda, Wanda (Ed) Collins, Darla (Gene) Montgomery, Margene (Gordy) Rambur, and many nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene, her parents Ernest, Harry, and Girlie Anderson, her in-laws Hans and Henrietta Iversen, her brother-in-law Russell, brother Ron and sister Kay (Ron) Herman.

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Louise May Iversen

February 1, 1935
November 11, 2020



Louise May Iversen

Born to Ernest & Florence Anderson

February 1, 1935

Sidney, Montana

Passed Away

November 11, 2020

Billings, Montana

Memorial Service

11:00AM Monday November 16, 2020

Pella Lutheran Church

Sidney, Montana

Music

Lori Utter Greg Miller

Officiating

Pastor Audrey Rydbom

*Luncheon will be served
following the service*

Final Resting Place

Sidney Cemetery

Sidney, Montana

Our Departed Mother

*She always leaned to watch for us
Anxious if we were late
In winter, by the window,
In summer by the gate,
And though we mocked her tenderly,
Who had such foolish care,
The long way home
would seem more safe,
Because she waited there.
Her thoughts were all so full of us,
She never could forget,
And so I think that where she is,
She must be waiting yet.
Waiting, till we come to her,
Anxious if we are late,
Watching from heaven's window
Leaning from heaven's gate.*

