

Shirley was born on a farm outside of Newell, SD to Arvo and Evelyn (Lahonan) Teppo, the 3rd of 6 children. She grew up in a community of Finnish immigrants where Finnish was spoken first and English was learned while attending country school. Shirley graduated from Newell High School in 1955 having worked for her board and room all four years. After high school, Shirley earned her teaching certificate from Black Hills Teachers College in 1956. She accomplished this by attending summer classes and working the night shift at Watts's Café in Belle Fourche, where she made lifelong friends. Shirley went on to teach at various country schools in Butte County before accepting a teaching position in Camp Crook where she taught the lower grades and music. Many of her students remain very special to her. She met a quiet, handsome rancher named Max Moseley. They married on August 20, 1966. They raised their daughters Maxine, Shirrel (JoAnn), Tracy, and Hope on their ranch just east of Camp Crook. She quit teaching after her first daughter was born in 1968 and became a full-time ranch wife and mom, or "domestic engineer" as she liked to call herself. Shirley sewed most of their clothes and kept two huge vegetable gardens. She also took great pride and joy in her many flower gardens she had around the yard. Always a teacher at heart, she encouraged her daughters to do their best and never let them slide on homework. She briefly worked as a home health care provider when the girls were grown. Other than the paperwork, Shirley greatly enjoyed this job! She loved her clients and would often go for drives to find birds with them or take them to their homesteads so they could reminisce. I am sure they got out of the car to look for arrowheads before heading back to town. Shirley had a lot of hobbies and interests. These included bird watching, quilting, poetry writing, astronomy, and Native American cultures. One of her favorite hobbies was arrow head hunting and she could be seen from the road walking the prairie with her "toad stabber." She was curious about everything and loved learning new things. She loved music and had a gift for playing the piano and the accordion by ear. Throughout the years Shirley enjoyed playing with several local musicians. They played many

dances and parties and liked to refer to them as "gigs". She made many friends through jam sessions around the area. Shirley loved the Lord and His grace that made salvation possible. She earnestly studied the Bible and was not afraid to ask thoughtful questions. An accomplished cusser, Shirley hedged her bets and attended two churches: she was a member of the Belltower 7th Day Adventist Church and attended the Camp Crook United Methodist Church. These church members became her family, too, especially the Methodist Church family. She played the piano and added a little honky tonk flare to the hymns. Shirley was a devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and was very proud of her family. Grandma doted on her grandchildren and created many adventures for each of them. She wrote storybooks for them, binding them with duct tape. Her great-grandchildren were the cherry on top of the family sundae. As her health failed, her inner strength and sheer will kept her going even when the odds were against her. When Shirley could no longer remain in the big house in Camp Crook, she moved in the Peaceful Prairie Estates where she made a new family with the residents and staff. Shirley moved into Fallon Medical Complex on January 13, 2023. She made friends quickly with nurses and residents. Shirley is survived by her children, Maxine (Dean) Rasmussen of Camp Crook, SD, Shirrel (Chad) Moore of Sioux Falls, SD, Tracy (Matt) Teigen of Camp Crook, SD, & Hope Moseley of Sioux Falls, SD; eight grandchildren, Colter, Karissa, Taylor, Abby, Max, Maddie (Jess), Kasey and Karlin; three great-grandchildren, Jaxson, Astara, and Brecken; brother, Maynard (Anna) Teppo of Fruitdale, SD; sister, Mayves Anderson of Lake Stephens, WA; brother-in-law Richard "Dick" Moseley of St. Petersburg, FL, sister-in-law Renee Teppo of Crystal Lake, FL; and numerous nieces and nephews. Shirley Moseley was preceded in death by her husband Max Moseley; parents Arvo and Evelyn Teppo; brothers Wesley, Delmar, & Richard "Dick" Teppo; sisters-in-law Shirley Teppo, Joan Baier, and Betsy Moseley; brothers-in-law Joe Baier, Lloyd "Doc" Anderson, Thomas "Tommy" Moseley; nephews Vance Baier and Blayne Teppo; great-nieces Maxine Moseley Knodel and Kaylee Teppo.

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August 5, 1937 - March 7, 2023



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FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, March 17, 2023 11:00 am
Camp Crook Community Center
Camp Crook, South Dakota

VISITATION

Saturday, March 17, 2023 10:00 am
Camp Crook Community Center
Camp Crook, South Dakota

OFFICIATING

Jerry Densmore

MUSIC

Bronc Hight
~The Old Rugged Cross~
~How Great Thou Art~

SPECIAL SONG

Dean & Mary Tarter

OBITUARY

BJ Padden

PALLBEARERS

Kevin Teppo	Ernie Melum
Delmar Teppo	Bobby Cordell
Jake Martinez	John Latham

INTERMENT

Fairview Cemetery
Camp Crook, South Dakota

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Stevenson Funeral Home
Baker, Montana

*Lunch will be served at the Community Center
following the committal service.
Everyone is welcome.*



My Teacher

*You started out as my Teacher
Who demanded my best:*

*On several occasions
Your patience I'd test:*

*You incorporated music
To make learning fun:*

*We'd dance and we'd sing
To your accordion:*

*Your teaching has helped
To shape my life:*

*My biggest accomplishment
Being Mother & Wife:*

*I feel very blessed to know you
As I do:*

*Today dear Teacher I want to say
Thankyou and I Love You!*

*by
Deb Long
August 3, 2002*

