



Frances Loretta Hodge

November 1, 1921 - October 12, 2017

Frances L Hodge passed away October 12, 2017 at the Copper Ridge. She was born November 1st, 1921 in Lake Preston, South Dakota to Nicholas and Theresa (Bergeron) Hurkes. She was the oldest of five children and attended grade schools in Castlewood, Bemis, and Lead, South Dakota. Growing up she enjoyed ice skating and swimming. She moved to Butte and attended Butte High School.

She married Josiah B Hodge on April 25th, 1941 in Boulder, Montana. They resided on the East Side in Butte on South Shields Street until selling their land to the Anaconda Company in 1965. Joe passed away on December 23, 1986.

Fran is a past member of the East Side Fire Department Auxiliary, Golden Years Crochet Club, and Pioneers Club. She loved to bowl and in her younger years was in leagues at the ACM, Wintergarden and Star Lane alleys. She often had her name listed on the men's high game board at the ACM alley instead of the women's as her score was so good. She enjoyed traveling, gardening flowers, sewing and crocheting. She made many hats, mittens and lap robes to donate. She had a great sense of humor, loved to tell jokes and had a lot of close friends over the years.

Fran is survived by her sons: Josiah N. Hodge (Carol Butler) of Butte, Daniel and Patricia Hodge of Kalispell, Robert and Karen Hodge of Missoula, and daughter Sandra and Alan Christensen of Great Falls; grandchildren: Josiah M. (Brook) Hodge, Daniel (Michelle) Hodge and Steven Hodge, Nicholas

(Angie) Hodge and Christopher Hodge, Stacy (Louie) Hermiller and Robert Christensen; great grandchildren: Khasidy and Quinn Hodge, Spencer and Riley Hodge, Madison, Caroline, and Nicholas Hermiller and Eleanor Hodge.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Jon Hodge.

Mom/grandma thank you for all your love and great memories. You will be missed.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Cemetery

3910 Harrison Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Service

OCT 28. 12:00 PM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home
1800 Florence Ave
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-3221
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

Tribute Wall

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“ Sandy and family, I am so very sorry to hear about your Mom. She was always a dear and remembered me from the East Side. You are very fortunate to have had her with you for so long. Blessings to you all.

Diane Castren Miller

Diane Miler - October 28, 2017 at 12:54 PM

DK

“ I've been trying to find a way to express my deep sorrow in losing my most beautiful Mom Fran. Our phone calls that could last hours. The many visits Dave & I made to Butte to visit you over so many years. Remembering the last visit to your house as you kept waving from the window as I waved to you from the car until we turned the corner. Driving to the stores in Butte with you was always filled with laughter, jokes, and so many adventures. Visiting you at the nursing home was wonderful too. Oh the many ways we found to giggle until we both doubled over. Your kindness knew no boundaries and the love we shared will last forever. I was proud to call you my Mom as you called me your daughter #2. Your wickedly funny sense of humor still keeps me smiling. Thank you to my Sissy Sandee for sharing Mom with me. Heaven is blessed with your beautiful spirit as those of us still on earth are left grieving over losing you. I miss you terribly Mom. It hurts like nothing I've felt before. Rest in sweet eternal peace.

Love you forever, Dorinda.

Dorinda Kopp - October 27, 2017 at 01:39 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Frances Loretta Hodge.*



October 26, 2017 at 03:52 PM



“ *Joe, Dan, Bob and Sandy:
I am sorry to learn of your mom's passing. Fran was one of the stalwart Eastsiders. She was one of the last of the East side people from our youth. My condolences to each of you and the grandkids.*

Haley Beaudry - October 25, 2017 at 06:53 PM



“ *I will never forget Frannie biy did she keep us girls on our toes and she would fight with me one minute in next tell me she always loved me i was her official babysitter for her precious babies i think she let me because i told her i babysat joey and johnny when tgey were little so she could trust me i LOVE YOU frannie and I'll miss you*



Tina Rader - October 21, 2017 at 11:21 AM