

**Maurine Auchampach**, 98, of Faulkton, passed away Monday, August 9, 2021, at Faulkton Senior Living.

Maurine was born December 29, 1922, at Eagle Butte, South Dakota to Alvin and Elna (Bengtson) Johnson at their farm home. She lived with her parents on the homestead farm, attending school in Eagle Butte all 12 years, graduating in 1940. She attended Northern State College in Aberdeen from 1940 to 1942, graduating with a two-year certificate. Following her graduation, she taught one year at the Cheyenne Agency.

She then moved to Minneapolis, MN, and worked during the war at the Twin Cities Ordnance Plant as a secretary. On July 29, 1944, she married Dale Auchampach of Ipswich in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he was stationed in the Air Force. She was employed at Kirtland Field Air Base until her husband was transferred. After his discharge, they lived in Ipswich for a short time until they moved to Brookings, South Dakota, where they resided for four years while her husband earned his degree in pharmacy. In 1951 they moved to Chamberlain, South Dakota, and in 1953 moved to Faulkton where she has since resided.

Maurine was a member of the United Church of Faulkton where she served on many boards of the church and was co-chairman of the planning committee for the new sanctuary. She was Sunday School Superintendent for many years and taught Sunday school for 20 years. She was the church secretary for eight years. She has also been active in the United Methodist Women, having held offices on the local level, and she was a district officer for eight years. She enjoyed several summers as a camp counselor.

Other activities included Care Center Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary. Maurine was also involved, along with her husband, in operating Dale's Pharmacy in Faulkton for 30 years. She enjoyed golfing, playing bridge, and visiting family and friends. Mom is fondly remembered as the "secretary of labor" for the extensive list of chores to be completed whenever family visited.

She is survived by her two sons: Thomas (Louise) Auchampach, Boise, ID, and Richard (Karen) Auchampach, Central City, SD; daughter: Jill Connelly, Sioux Falls; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dale; daughter, Debra Auchampach; parents; two sisters; and a son-in-law.



*In Loving*  
M E M O R Y

*Maurine Auchampach*

*December 29, 1922 - August 9, 2021*





We knew little that morning  
God was going to call your name  
In life we loved you dearly  
in death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you  
but you did not go alone  
for a part of us went with you  
the day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories  
your love is still our guide  
and though we cannot see you  
you're always by our side.

Our family chain is broken  
and nothing seems the same  
but as God calls us one by one  
the chain will link again.

Author Unknown



*Birds in flight symbolize our Christian life.*

*One bird is shown leaving the flock and  
"going home" to his final reward.*

*The remaining birds continue their journey  
through life with peace of mind knowing  
their loved one is now in God's care.*

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Maurine Auchampach**

December 29, 1922                      August 9, 2021  
Eagle Butte, South Dakota      Faulkton, South Dakota

**VISITATION:**

5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Sunday, August 15, 2021  
Luce Funeral Home ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:**

11:00 a.m., Monday, August 16, 2021  
United Church of Faulkton ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

**OFFICIATING:**

Pastor Thomas Summers

**CASKET BEARERS:**

Mark Auchampach, Tim Auchampach,  
Jeff Auchampach, Dennis Hoyle, and Don Hoyle

**MUSICIANS:**

Marlene Hammond and Cheryl Tisher

**SPECIAL MUSIC:**

By a Family Member

**HYMNS:**

*"Old Rugged Cross"    "Take My Hand, Precious Lord"  
"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"*

**INTERMENT:**

Ipswich Cemetery  
Ipswich, South Dakota



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