



Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick

January 27, 1930 - June 9, 2026

A celebration of life for MARGARET "MARY" KIRKPATRICK, 96, will be held 10:30am Monday June 15, 2026, at the First Congregational Church with Reverend Matt Gordon officiating. A reception will follow at the church. Mary passed away peacefully June 9, 2026, at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center with her loving family at her side. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to Senior Friendship Center or the First Congregational Church in Mary's name. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and condolences may be sent to www.colyerfuneralhome.com Mary was born January 27, 1930, in La Crosse, Wisconsin to Seymour and Mary (Regan) Meister. She grew up in La Crosse, and it was there she went to school and received her early education. She received her education for nursing in La Crosse at Saint Francis School of Nursing. She also earned a Masters in Gerontology from the University of Northern Colorado in 1988. She married Robert Akright in May of 1951, in Minnesota. To this union three children were born; Reginald, Kathleen and Steven. The couple later divorced. While raising her family she relocated them to Torrington where she found her forever home. A very dedicated mother, she gave all she could to ensure that her children had the best upbringing. Five years after moving to Torrington she met and married Robert "Bob" Kirkpatrick June 15, 1969. Mary was a very well-known person in Goshen County. She had a long career serving many people, providing them with very passionate and loving care. Nursing was her passion and she was very proud of being one of the very first Public Health

Nurses in Torrington. She helped to write the curriculum for the first CNA program in Wyoming. A pioneer in nursing, she helped pave the way for many aspiring nurses to pursue their dreams. Mary also helped to write the grants that established the Senior Friendship Center and the Meals on Wheels program in Torrington. Of all the things that she accomplished in life, the biggest was being a loving mother, grandmother and friend. Family was the true center of her life, the one thing that really kept her grounded and she would have done anything to help them in any way she could. The everlasting impression Mary left on those she knew will go on for many generations to come. Mary is survived by her three children; Reginald Akright of Everett, Washington, Kathleen Juniker of Cheyenne, Wyoming and Steven Akright of Torrington, Wyoming, granddaughter Margaret "Marge" (Bryan) Riedl, her loving dog Huny and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband Bob Kirkpatrick, parents Seymour and Mary Meister, and a son-in-law Michael Juniker.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN **15**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (MT)

First Congregational Church
2102 East E
Torrington, WY 82240
(307) 532-5595

Tribute Wall

JR

“ Reg, Kathy, and Steve, so saddened by the news of your mother's passing. Mary was such a wonderful woman, and a real mover and shaker at a time when many women took a back seat. She had the most beautiful smile, and such a warm disposition. She was always so kind to me, and I held her in esteem. My mother always spoke highly of her as a friend and colleague. Sending love and sympathy to you all.

Jane Rock - June 17 at 10:11 AM

TA

“ She was truly a good caring person as well as an excellent nurse. I've known her since she worked with Kay Buchanan beersshe will be missed by many.



THERESA ARMSTRONG - June 17 at 08:27 AM

MM

“ Mary Martin sent a virtual gift in memory of Margaret Kirkpatrick



Mary Martin - June 14 at 10:56 PM

VH

“ Vicky Harris lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick



Vicky Harris - June 11 at 08:49 PM

RR

“ Rhonda Reisig lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick



Rhonda Reisig - June 11 at 07:55 PM

KH

“ She knew my grandparents so she always was very kind to me. As an adult, I appreciated her as a lovely lady. Peace be with you. ❤️

K.J. Hovis - June 11 at 06:51 PM

LC

“ I first met Mary when I became director of the Senior Friendship Center. She was so supportive and caring, and she offered her wisdom and guidance in such a loving manner. I know the senior center was dear to her, and it was always a pleasure to see her and talk to her. She was a blessing!

Linda Cockett - June 11 at 04:40 PM

SH

“ *Shanna Hamburg lit a candle in memory of Margaret Kirkpatrick*



Shanna Hamburg - June 11 at 01:47 PM

SD

“ *Sue A Moore Davis lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick*



Sue A Moore Davis - June 11 at 10:20 AM

KB

“ *Mary was such a lovely lady whom we appreciated so much!!*

ken banister - June 11 at 07:39 AM



“ *Lisa Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick*



Lisa Lawrence - June 10 at 11:23 PM

CN

“ *Carolyn & Royce Nelson lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Mary" Kirkpatrick*



Carolyn & Royce Nelson - June 10 at 07:08 PM