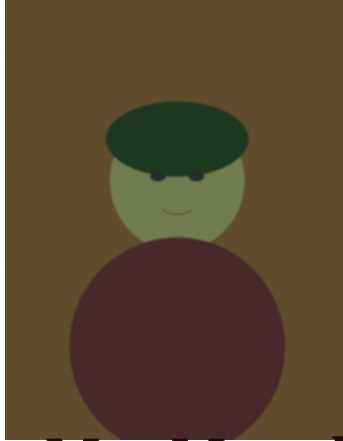




Irene Mae Musselman

February 20, 1951 - February 21, 2026

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Family and neighbors in Aberdeen mark the death of Irene Mae Musselman on February 21, 2026. She was 75. Born on February 20, 1951, with African American roots that shaped the table more than the flag. Young, she understood that quiet competence outlasts loud plans.

She sorted sticks until grades agreed and pride could return. A lath mill grade paddle wiped stayed clean enough to trust. Colleagues still mention a lath mill grade paddle wiped.

In 1974 she married Clarence. The marriage was not a speech; it was groceries, repairs, and three sons walked to school in weather that did not care. When Clarence died in 2019, she kept what still worked: the early walk, the small garden, the call on Sundays.

Neighbors remember a porch light left on for anyone walking home late. She preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Aberdeen was home enough that she never rehearsed an introduction. The key is still under the same brick.

Services

Services in Aberdeen will be simple: stories, coffee, and the names of people who showed up. Flowers optional; support for a local clinic or trade scholarship preferred.

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