



**Erna Frieda Kaschube Brown**  
**1920 – 2014**

TEN SLEEP – Former Worland resident Erna Frieda Kaschube Brown, 93, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014 at Cedar Ridge Special Care Center in Cedar Park, Texas.

Erna was born Oct. 5, 1920 on a farm near Brockton, Mont. She was the daughter of Edward and Elizabeth (Luft) Kaschube and was the sixth of nine children. She was baptized and confirmed at the Settlement Church north of Culbertson, Mont. and attended school in the north Brockton area at Biem School. Like so many other children during that time of the century, she only went through the eighth grade, so she was able to help with work on the home farm. At the age of 80, however, she obtained her GED degree through a study program at her home in Worland. She was a trained beautician, having completed beauty school in Casper in 1946 and worked as a beautician for 63 years until relocating to Texas in 2009 to be nearer her son and family.

Erna married Morgan Brown on April 20, 1940. Morgan was employed as a surveyor with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, working on the Buffalo Bill Dam and the canyon road west of Cody at the time of their marriage. During the war, they moved to Cheyenne where Morgan was employed by the Department of Defense working to expand and improve the Air Force Base there.

Their only child, Dennis, was born in 1941. After attending beauty school in Casper, Erna, Morgan and Dennis moved back to Morgan's home town of Ten Sleep in 1946. On Christmas Day, 1952, their home in Ten Sleep burned down while they were visiting Morgan's sister, Amanda, in Cody. Townsfolk helped them build a new pine log house on the same lot where they lived until 1955 when they moved to Worland.

Erna was noted for being a great baker of pies, cakes, cookies, and cinnamon rolls. These and other assorted pastries were always coming out of her kitchen. Also, untold numbers of quilts, afghans, baby clothing, sweaters, and miscellaneous decorated garments produced over her lifetime were received and enjoyed by countless friends and family members. Erna and Morgan were longtime square dancers going back to their early days in Ten Sleep. Morgan called dances plus they gave lessons and enjoyed being members of the Circle Eight Square Dance club in Worland. Plus they went on countless trips to dance jamboree events at many locations throughout the west.

With the passing of Morgan in August 1999, Erna remained in Worland tending her beauty shop in the basement of her home. She moved to Texas near Austin in June 2009 to be near her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ed and Elizabeth Kaschube; her husband, Morgan Brown; her sisters, Bertha Damm Swallow, Dorothy Damm Schwartz, Molly Damm Lauridsen and Minna Martha who passed as a baby; and two brothers, David Damm and Harold Kaschube.

Erna is survived by her son, Dennis (Lana) Brown of Lakeway, Texas; grandsons, Kevin Brown of Austin and Corey (Margaret) Brown of Houston, Texas; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Christine Damm Dick of Greeley, Colo.; and brothers, Alfred and Otto Kaschube of Plentywood and Brockton, Mont.

Services will be held at the Ten Sleep Cemetery at a date to be scheduled in the future.