"So, live your life that the fear of death can never enter your heart. Trouble no one about their religion; respect others in their view, and demand that they respect yours. Love your life, perfect your life, beautify all things in your life. Seek to make your life long and its purpose in the service of your people. Prepare a noble death song for the day when you go over the great divide. Always give a word or a sign of salute when meeting or passing a friend, even a stranger, when in a lonely place. Show respect to all people and grovel to none. When you arise in the morning give thanks for the food and for the joy of living. If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies only in yourself. Abuse no one and no thing, for abuse turns the wise ones to fools and robs the spirit of its vision. When it comes your time to die, be not like those whose hearts are filled with the fear of death, so that when their time comes they weep and pray for a little more time to live their lives over again in a different way. Sing your death song and die like a hero going home."

~ Shawnee Chief Tecumseh

Traditional Shawnee Funeral Service Bird Creek Home Sperry, Oklahoma Monday, April 22, 2024 10:00 AM

> *Officiants* Chiefy Tiger Mike Washington

Shawnee Language Speakers Antoine Thomas and Manuel Thomas reciting The Lord's Prayer & The Supper Prayer

> *Music* Traditional Peyote Selections

> > Casket Bearers

Jayson Burr Hunter Washington Christian Broderson Slade Washington Billy Brent Washington Michael Spencer

Interment Charley Cemetery Sperry, Oklahoma

Together Again at Last

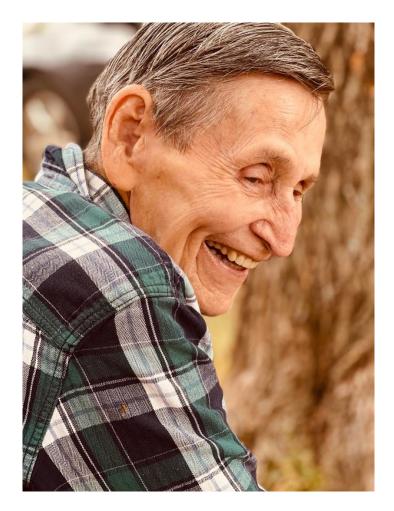


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October 3, 1941 ~ April 18, 2024