

*Forever Loved, Forever In Our Hearts  
Our Precious Melinda*

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

**All of Melinda's Dear Cousins**

Leila "Chapa" Owlboy  
Lisa "Giz" Owlboy  
Vada Rue  
Kayonna Whiteshield  
Glenna Rue  
Ray Ray Jerome  
Gabe Smith

Bobbie Sue and Shawn Mudgett  
Erica Philbrick and kids  
Kelli BirdHorse  
Wes BirdHorse and Sons  
Cheryl Belgarde and Family  
Alene (Austin) Littlewind  
Cody Belgarde  
Alvin "CJ" Whiteshield  
Crystal Thompson and Son  
Leslie Ann Fassett  
Inez Belgarde  
Kara Longie

*Sorry if we forgot anyone during  
this difficult time.*



**When You're Gone**

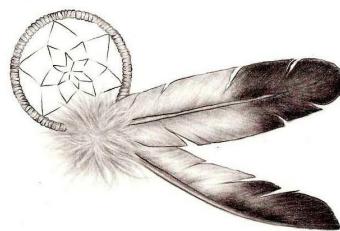
You were so full of life  
Always smiling and care free.  
Life loved you being a part of it.  
And I loved you being a part of me.  
You could make anyone laugh  
If they were having a bad day.  
No matter how sad I was  
You could take my hurt away.

Nothing could ever stop you  
Or even make you fall.  
You were ready to take on the world  
Ready to do it all.

But God decided he needed you.  
So from this world you left.  
But you took a piece of us all.  
Our hearts are what you kept.  
You left without a warning,  
Not eve saying good-bye.  
I can't stop asking the question  
"Why?"

I didn't see this coming.  
It hit me by surprise.  
And when you left this world  
A big part of me died inside.

I will always love and miss you  
my girl. From Mom



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**BEGAN HER EARTHLY JOURNEY**

Monday, July 25, 1988

Devils Lake, North Dakota

**BEGAN JOURNEY HOME TO HEAVEN**

Thursday, February 1, 2024

Fort Totten, North Dakota

**WAKE AND PRAYER SERVICE**

St. Michael's Wellness Center

St. Michael, North Dakota

Friday, February 9, 2024

beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m.

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

ST. Michael's Wellness Center

St. Michael, North Dakota

Saturday, February 10, 2024 ~ 10:00 a.m.

**OFFICIANT**

Reverend Paul Schuster  
Pastor, St. Michael's Catholic Church

**DRUM GROUPS**

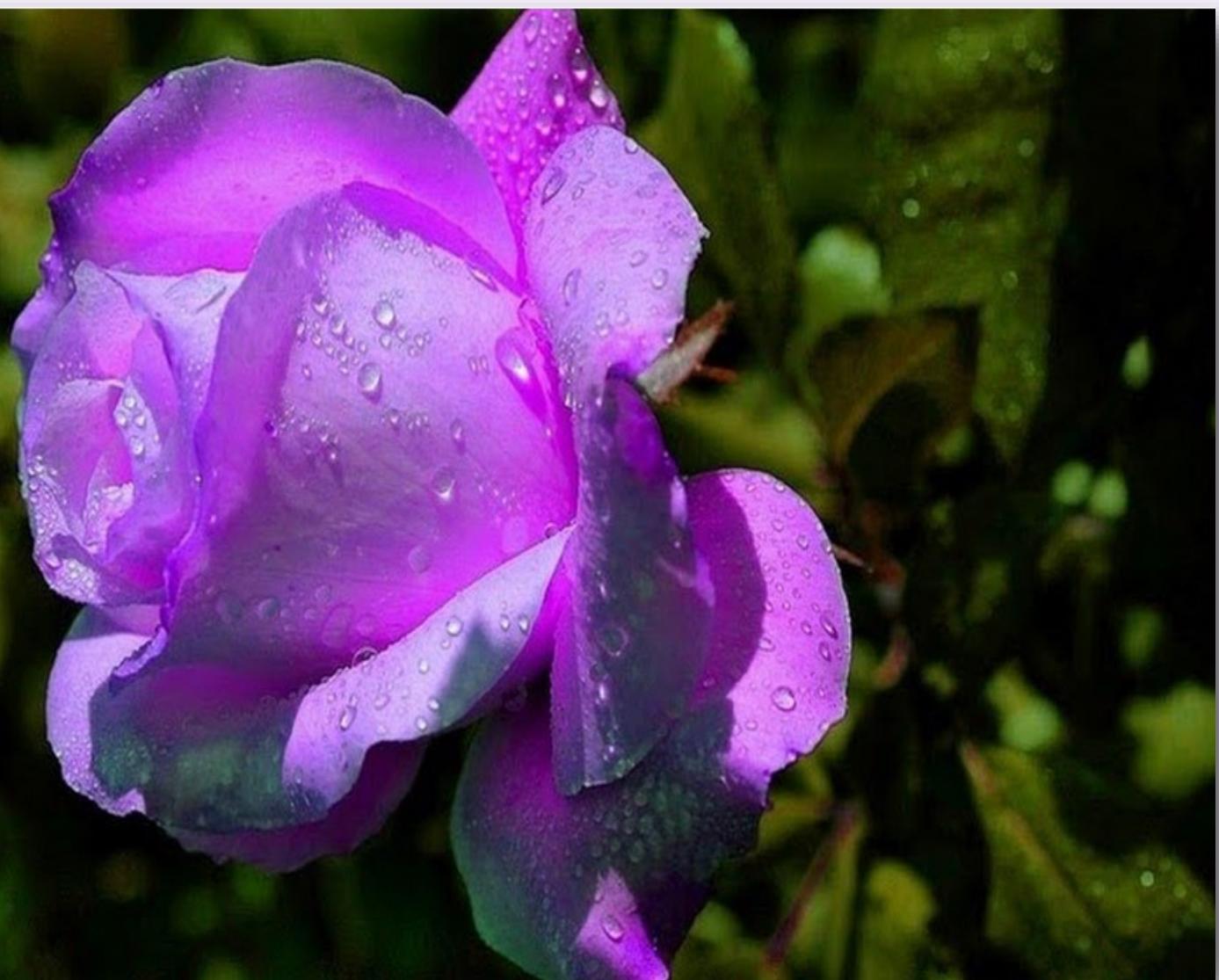
All Drummers and Singers are welcome to  
share their songs in memory of Melinda

**ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**  
Gary Owlboy ~ Lonnie Owlboy  
Elton DeMarce ~ Rob His Chase Jr.  
Bruce Whiteman III ~ Dequan Keo  
Adam Rue ~ Avery Azure

**LAID TO REST**

Owlboy Ranch Cemetery  
Rural St. Michael, North Dakota  
*At a later date*

# M E L I N D A W H I T E M A N



*Remembering the life of...*  
Melinda Marie Whiteman, 35 of St. Michael ND passed away on Thursday, February 1, 2024 from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident. A very loving daughter, sister, mother, auntie and friend.

Melinda Marie was born on July 25, 1988 at Devils Lake the daughter of Bonita Owlboy and Quentin Bruce Whiteman II. She was raised in St. Michael and attended school in Warwick. She graduated from Warwick High School with the class of 2006. She continue her education at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck with an emphasis on nutrition. She lived for a time in Bismarck and worked at the CHI Hospital there. During her younger years, Melinda would run around the "Mish" with her sister and cousins, having crazy, wild fun. The kids always enjoyed going to their grandparents house, or Auntie Chapa's place. Living with her sister Delia and Gary in the Pink House was a very special time.

Melinda returned to the Spirit Lake Nation after her time in Bismarck and reconnected with family and friends. She loved spending time with her friends, listening to her favorite music and cruising around. She treasured time she was able to spend with her daughters.

Melinda is survived by her loving family: daughters Nalayna Tikanye and Narriyah Whiteman; mother Bonnie Owlboy; father Quentin Bruce Whiteman II.; grandmothers Lillie Owlboy, Imogene Belgarde, Arlene Belgarde, Joyce Belgarde, Joann Belgarde and Audrey Belgarde; grandpas Kenneth (Flo) Dunn, Philip "Skip" Longie and Larry Belgarde; sisters Marie Owlboy, Deidre (Damon Leader Charge) Whiteman, Shanowa Whiteman; brothers Gary Owlboy, Yamni Whiteman, Quentin Bruce Whiteman III, Qwade Whiteman; daughter/niece Diamond Rae "Princess" and nieces Esmarie, Rowena, Wokiksuya, Aundaya, Audaya, Lucille, LaVina, RaQuell, Aleisha Rose, Leilani; nephews Damon, Cazziah, Avery, Devon, Shawn, Riley, Quentin IV, Elmer Jr., Elmer IV, Dequan and Dustin John; aunts Catalina (Terry Sr.) Herman, Cora Whiteman, Amelia Whiteman Hoffarth, Madonna Whiteman, Annette Pacheco, Carol Whiteman, Donna Whiteman Corbine, Winona Demery, Alfreda Dunn Charboneau, Alberta Dunn, Emerald (Matt) Robertson, Cheryl Belgarde, Leila "Chapa" Owlboy, Lisa "Giz" Owlboy; uncles John Whiteman Sr., Milo Blaine Whitetail Sr., Cornelle (Agnes) Good Thunder, Calvin Dunn, Maynard Dunn, Tayron "Terry" Dunn, Maynard Demery, Willis Whiteman, Jr., Marlon Whiteman, Francis "Koska" Owlboy, Peter Owlboy Sr., Lorman Owlboy Sr., Lonnie Owlboy, Elton Demarce, Jr. Rue; and many cousins. Those who shall help or guide Melinda onto the other side: sister Delia Whiteman, grandpas, grandmas, aunts, uncles, cousins: Francis Owlboy Sr., Donnie Belgarde, Bugs Thompson, Quentin Whiteman Sr., Emma Dunn, Carolyn Dunn (Willis Sr.) Whiteman, Vivian Dunn Spotted Horse, Dorothy Dunn Whitetail, Rita Dunn Whitetail, Angela Dunn Alberts, Shirley Belgarde, Beatrice Joramo, DeeDee Whitetail, Claudette and Byron Williams, Donna Whitetail, Monica Owlboy, Jami Rose Jetty, Harlen Snell, Emrolyn Whitetail, Rose Whitetail Sherman, Lenny Red Tomahawk, Derrick Red Tomahawk, Peter Belgarde Jr. and Francis "Frenchie" Brown.