

Nora "Eva" StrangeOwl Lee "Live Woman" Ametanee passed away at Monument Hospital in Rapid City, South Dakota, where she expired of multiple complications. She was born in Busby, Montana on August 22, 1940, to John David Strange Owl and her mother, Grace Redneck. She had 10 siblings, 3 brothers and 7 sisters. She grew up in Birney Village, Montana, where she went to elementary school. Eva also went to Ashland for high school. She traveled with her sister, Florence, to California and lived with her older sister, Ann. Eva finished her last two years there and graduated. After school, she went home, married Clifford J. Small. With the union she had three children. She later divorced and found the love of her life, Jim Lee, and together they had one son. Eva worked for Hewlett Packard, building radios in California. She also worked on a ranch riding horses, cleaning stalls, and moving irrigation pipes. She was a great help with the family businesses, taking care of the Stardust Motel and driving truck for J.E.T. Oil Drilling. Eva also enjoyed beading. Her sister Ann owns an American Indian jewelry store, called Eagle Plumes, where Eva made various items such as purses, baby moccasins, earrings, necklaces, and bracelets. She also made Native Capote jackets and ribbon shirts. Eva's beading went around the world, from Japan to England with special orders, and also to New York City. She was also commissioned to dress and bead the Native American dolls at the Anna Miller Museum in Newcastle, Wyoming. She and her sisters did bead shows in Estes Park, CO and she always looked forward to this time she got to spend with her sisters, speaking Cheyenne and seeing the beadwork her sisters were working on. Eva also enjoyed the artistry of other Native Nations and sharing their creations. Eva loved her pets, loved cooking for them in the winter, and spoiling them with treats and toys. Her children would often say if they die, they wanted to come back and be one of Eva's pets. Eva is survived by her husband James (Jim) C. Lee, 2 children: Shannon (Joe) Thomas and Troy Lee (Terry Treadway), grandchildren: Vanessa, Jessica, and Otto Braided Hair, Breanne, Taylor, Brekken, and Austin Small, Bradley and Ashley Thomas, and Tyler Lee, 12 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews that filled her with love, happiness, and respect.

In Loving Memory Of...



Eva Nora Lee

August 22, 1940 – June 4, 2024



Marina McIlvain, Nikki Johnson
Rita Mashak Guy Casablanca
 Funeral Service-Monuments-
 Advance Planning-Cremation-
 Lending Library, Learning to say
 goodbye; children's tour

Psalm 23

The Lord is my Shepherd;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul;
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff
they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
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Funeral Service

11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 15, 2024
Meridian Mortuary
Newcastle, Wyoming

Celebrant

Pastor Ron Sample

Music

"He Walks With Me" - Merle Haggard
"In the Garden" - Loretta Lynn
"I Still Can't Believe You're Gone" - Willie Nelson
"Amazing Grace" - Johnny Cash

Casketbearers

Austin Small
Bradley Thomas
Brayden Thomas
Takoda Thomas
Acencion Altamirano
Landon Howen

Interment

Greenwood Cemetery, Newcastle, WY

The family invites you to a time of fellowship following the
burial at Isabella's.