Remembering the life of...

Matthew Paul Little, "Ota Wicaku" (Gives A Lot) 45 of Maple Grove, Minnesota formerly of the Spirit Lake Nation.

Matthew Paul, son of Millicent (Chaske) and Paul Little was born in Minneapolis on January 14, 1978. At a young age, he moved with the family to Fort Totten and attended Four Winds High School.

He dedicated his life to traveling to pow-wows throughout the United States and singing and drumming and helping his people with his songs of encouragement and love. He also was a talented artist making many different types of drums.

Matthew married Margaret Elk and they made their home in Cannonball, ND. He cared for Margaret until her death on July 10, 2013.

After her death, Matthew again traveled around the area and for the past year has made his home in the Minneapolis area.

Matthew is survived by his loving family. His mother Millicent Little; brothers Marlin Little, Arthur Little, Butch Little and James Little; grandchildren Winona (R Jay) Greywater, Faleria Ohlquist, Anthony Falcon, Scott Kraft and Phyllis Simmons; adopted father Alan Gleason; sisters Patricia Kraft, Barbara (Burton) Jackson and Paula Little Thompson; adopted sister Peggy Cavanaugh and her family; nieces Patrice Falcon and Rena (John) Lohnes; nephew Tony Alonzo Simmons; aunts and uncle John and Ramona Chaske, Catherine Howard; many cousins and other dear family members.

He was preceded in death by his father Paul S. Little, grandparents George and Emma Little, Joseph and Maryann Chaske, Thomas and Julia Siaka, brothers Tyrone Chaske and Merlin Little, uncles and aunts Ambrose and MaryLouise Thompson, Winfield and Evelyn Chaske, Big Joe and Corrine Chaske, Bernice and Darlene Chaske, Martin Little, Alma Nichols, cousins Winfield Jr, "June Buggs", Walden, John Jr., Melissa Chaske and Sam Lambert.

Matthew made many friends as he traveled the country, if we missed naming someone it was not intentional. Please forgive us as we grieve the loss of our dear family member.





I HEARD YOUR VOICE IN THE WIND TODAY

I heard your voice in the wind today and I turned to see your face;
The warmth of the wind caressed me as I stood silently in place.

I felt your touch in the sun today as its warmth filled the sky; I closed my eyes for your embrace and my spirit soared high.

I saw your eyes in the window pane as I watched the falling rain; It seemed as each raindrop fell it quietly said your name.

I held you close in my heart today it made me feel complete;
You may have died...but you are not gone you will always be a part of me.

As long as the sun shines...
the wind blows...
the rain falls...

You will live on inside of me forever for that is all my heart knows.

Forever Loved, Forever In Our Hearts Our Beloved Son, Brother, Grandfather, Nephew, Uncle, Cousin, Fellow Drummer and Singer

Matthew Paul Little "Ota Wicaku" (Gives A Lot)

HIS SUNRISE

Saturday, January 14, 1978 Minneapolis, Minnesota

HIS SUNSET

Thursday, January 4, 2024 Maple Grove, Minnesota

GATHERING OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Crow Hill Recreation Center Rural Fort Totten, North Dakota Friday, January 12, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Drum Groups and Singers from around the country are welcome to share their songs in memory of Matthew

URN BEARERS

Arthur Little and Seth Kraft

HONORARY BEARERS

Deb (Tony) LaVallie, Lisa (Tim) Chaske, Montana Chaske, Colleen (Gary Jr.) Chaske, Jolleen (Waylon Sr.) St. Clair, Willard (Maggie) Chaske, Camerone Chaske, Willard Chaske Jr. Reggie Chaske, Waynita Chaske and family, Sean Lambert, Wanda (Vincent) Littleghost and Family, Wayne Chaske, Jolene Anderson and Family, The Thompson Family, The Littlewind Family, The WalkingEagle Family, The Thomas Family, The Brown Family, The Gourd Family Tyson Sullivan and Family

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST

Buffalo Pasture Rural Fort Totten, North Dakota At a later date