In Loving Memory of Alice Ann Benson July 2, 1947 ~ May 17, 2024

Funeral Service Tuesday, May 21, 2023 • 10:00 AM Eastgate Funeral Service • 2302 E. Divide Ave Bismarck, North Dakota Interment Congregational Cemetery Twin Buttes, North Dakota

> Officiant Pastor Barry Zietz

Readers **Remington Benson** Ian Benson Psalm 23 Do Not Stand At My Grave And Weep

> Musician Silas Howling Wolf

Senior Pall Bearer Veronica Serdahl

Pall Bearers

Wilson Tecumseh, Philip Benson, Charlie Benson, Lars Shay, Leland Shay, Scott Wilson, Corwin Grey and Remington Benson

Following the service, the family invites you to join them for lunch and fellowship at the Bismarck Amvets, 2402 Railroad Ave, Bismarck.



Eastgate & Parkway Funeral Service Bismarck, North Dakota

ALICE ANN BENSON, 76, passed away the morning of May 17, 2024, surrounded by her family in Bismarck, ND.

Alice Ann Benson was born on July 2, 1947, to Philip and Susan (Bull) Benson in Elbowoods, ND. She attended Twin Buttes Elementary and graduated from Flandreau Indian School. Alice was part of the Indian Relocation Act of 1956 and moved to Southern California. Alice then returned to North Dakota

Everyone who knew Alice got to experience her great heart, her boisterous laugh, and constant teasing. Her family has been hearing all the stories from family, friends and relatives that they have about Alice.

Alice was a very educated lady. She attended Haskell University and Kanas University. She taught the Mandan language in the Twin Buttes Elementary School alongside her uncle, Edwin Benson for many years. She was very proud of her Mandan Heritage and enjoyed attending pow wows with her mother and father. Her children, Roger and Loray were both dancers in their younger years, as their mom helped them learn their culture.

Alice was an integral part of raising Loray's children. She currently has Lars and Leland living with her. Lars is a senior and graduating this year. The education that she helped provide them with was a tremendous accomplishment. In earlier years, both Corwin and Shania lived with her during their school years.

One of the greatest accomplishments for Alice was becoming the 2023 President of the North Dakota VFW Auxiliary. She previously held the chaplain position, vice president then the president. The VFW Auxiliary was very dear to her heart. She has spent decades working closely with the veterans' associations. She joined the VFW Auxiliary as her father was a WWII veteran.

Alice is survived by her son, Roger (Sherri) Benson; daughter, Loray; grandchildren, Philip Benson, Corwin Grey, Leland Shay, Lars Shay; brothers, Joseph Benson and Kirby Benson. Along with an entire town of brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Philip and Susan (Bull) Benson; brothers Troy, David "Boops"; sisters, Myrna and Yvonne; granddaughter, Shania and nephews, Wendell Benson and Phillip Tecumseh.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery or a charity of the donor's choice.

LOVING MEMORIES

Your gentle face and patient smile With sadness we recall You had a kindly word for each And died beloved by all.

The voice is mute and stilled the heart, That loved us well and true. Ah, bitter was the trial to part From one so good as you.

You are not forgotten loved one Nor will you ever be, As long as life and memory last We will remember thee.

We miss you now, our hearts are sore, As time goes by we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face, No one can fill your vacant place.



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