

Lovingly Remembered



The First Snowfall

To You who's love was unconditional
Who was full of overwhelming kindness
Though You have only been gone for a little while
My heart will ache every time I think of Your loving smile

Now that you are in Creator's embrace
that does not stop the tears that
have fallen from my face
For my love will overflow through my tears
I will always think of You in my prayers

We miss You even more as the days go by
I still cannot stop asking myself "Why?"
Through the thoughts that have plagued me blind
Your whole hearted love and kind smile come to mind
They stop my thoughts and allow acceptance
To clear my eyes

And when that first snowfall finally arrives
I will keep my hands out waiting
for Your hands to finally come back into mine.
Raycine Bears paw



In Loving Memory



Wapa tunk tunga

Donna Kaquitts

October 5, 1947- Thursday July 11, 2024

Appreciation

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed and for your attendance at the service today.

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It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Wapa tunk tunga/Donna Kaquitts, a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, sister, and aunt, who left us peacefully on July 11, 2024. Donna was a cherished member of her Iyethka community and family, known for her warmth, generosity, and unwavering love for those around her.

Donna was predeceased by her parents, Alice and Josiah Kaquitts; her siblings, Georgie and Wilma Kaquitts; and her children, Gregson and Teresa. She also joins her predeceased grandchildren Pumpkin, Tanya, Terzon, and Jade in eternal rest.

She leaves behind a large and loving family who will forever hold her memory in their hearts. Donna is survived by her brother, Watson Kaquitts (Brenda), her sister, Alice Kaquitts, and her sister, Jeanette Wildman (Vidal Frencheater). She was the devoted mother to seven children: Edlyn Dodginghorse (Tyson Dodginghorse), Nadine Poucette, Oliver Kaquitts, Edgar Wesley-Beaver (Alyssa Ear), Ambrose Jr. Wesley-Beaver, and Jordana Wildman.

Donna's legacy continues through her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, totaling 133 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren, who will all miss her dearly.

Donna was also a beloved aunt to many nieces and nephews, including Betty, Dona Mae, Lowanda (Ian), Kim, Fran (Anthony), Chantel, Deanna (Charles), Angela Young, Waylon, Matthew (Marlyn), Harvey, Torin (Tammy), Justin, Watson Jr., Thomas Snow (Shalome), Kronin Snow, Adam Northpeigan (Lena). Her family connections extended through her daughter-in-law, Krista Hunter, her sisters-in-law, Philomene and Tracy Stephenens, sister-in-law, Doreen Kaquitts, as well as her brothers-in-law, Virgil, Audley, and Bruce. She will be dearly missed by her best friend, Sylvia Bigstoney (Gordan).

Donna's family roots and relationships spanned numerous families and clans, including the Fox, Beaver, Poucette, Wildman, Bigstoney, Crawler, Young, Holloway, Morin, Lefthand, and Snow families.

Donna Kaquitts will be remembered for her enduring spirit, her kindness, and her dedication to family. Her presence will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at the Morley Gymnasium in Minî Thnî to celebrate Donna's life and legacy. All are welcome to attend and share in the remembrance of Wapa tunk tunga/Donna Kaquitts.

Wake
Residence of Donna Kaquitts

Funeral Service

Morley Gymnasium, Minî Thnî, AB
Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 1:00 pm

Presiders

Watson Kaquitts & Thomas Snow

Noambi Traditional Song

Audley Stephens; Clifford, Dallas & Johnny Powderface;
(accompanied by Traditional Drummers)

Opening Prayer Virgil Stephens
Hunga bi ii abi, Chiefs' AddressChief Clifford Poucette,
Goodstoney Nation
Chief Aaron Young, Chiniki Nation
Chief Darcy Dixon, Bearspaw Nation
Song Alyssa Bigcrow
SpeakerTina Poucette
Song Torin Kaquitts
SpeakerCouncilor Krysta Hunter
Song Watson Kaquitts Jr.
Eulogy..... Angela Young
Violin Song Watson Kaquitts
Traditional Song..... Philomene Stephens
Speaker Alice Kaquitts
Slide show Anthony Bearspaw
Oyastan gitumbi Closing prayer Audley Stevens
Iin hage aggicidabi Final Viewing

Taanga a ubi - Bringing out ceremony
With a Sundance Song

Graveside

Following the service
Wesley Cemetery, Alberta

Active Casketbearers

Mathew Kaquitts	William Poucette
Kronin Snow	Gordan Beaver
Harvey Kaquitts	Emmett Morin
Riley Kaquitts	Justin Bigcrow
George Billy	Lionel Labelle
Tyson Dodginghorse	Lional Wildman
Anthony Bearspaw	Ben Fox

Honourary Casketbearers

Sylvia Bigstoney	Colleen Brown
Irene Fox	Karen Kaquitts
Nelda Big Stoney	Bernie Kaquitts
Germaine Labelle	Denise Kaquitts
Myra Labelle	Vera Holloway
Madeline Labelle	Delia Poucette
Muriel Labelle	Marylin Poucette
Kolet Big Stoney	Marylin Abraham
Mary Jane Crane	Catheline Poucette
Audrey Hunter	Irene Lefthand
Rosie Crawler	Ethyl Lefthand
Winnie Beaver	Dionna Lefthand
Virgina Hunter	Leanne Ear
Philomene Stephens	Pauline Twoyoungmen
Tina Fox	Roxanne House
Georgie Poucette	Clarice Kootenay
Tracey Stephens	Una Wesley
Jeannette Wildman	Mary Kaquitts
Erica Simeon	Vicki Holloway
Rexanne Twoyoungman	Barbara Hunter
Cassandra Poucette	Geraldine Powderface
Annie Wesley	Elaine Wildman
Ina Shortneck	Tammy Wildman
Joanne Kaquitts	Mildred Begay

Following the Graveside Service, relatives and friends are invited to a traditional feast at the residence of Donna Kaquitts, Alberta.