

Weep not for me though I am gone into that gentle night.  
Grieve if you will, but not for long upon my soul's sweet flight.

I am at peace, my soul's at rest

There is no need for tears.

For with your love I was so blessed.

For all those many years.

There is no pain, I suffer not,

The fear now all is gone.

Put now these things out of your thoughts,

In your memory I live on.

Remember not my fight for breath

Remember not the strife.

Please do not dwell upon my death,

But celebrate my life.



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*Joseph C. (Chuck) Swiftbird*, 64, Bismarck, passed away October 20, 2018 at Sanford Health, Bismarck.

Joseph C. Swiftbird was born February 6, 1954 to Joseph Sr. and Cynthia (LaPointe) Swiftbird in Pine Ridge, SD. He married Laura Phelps on December 4, 1997 in Bismarck, ND.

Chuck was always generous with his time, willing to put others needs first, “selfless service”. With an outgoing personality and a great sense of humor he was willing to try anything. His keen intelligence gave him the gift of anticipating future happenings, a great memory and a gift for telling stories. A strong belief in his heritage led him to many trips to Pine Ridge, SD where he would always look to improve the life of his people. He was mechanically inclined and very talented at arts and crafts which he was able to teach at United Tribes.

Chuck will be deeply missed by his wife, Laura; daughter, Jacqueline Swiftbird of Mandan, ND; sons, Isereal Lee Swiftbird of Lincoln NE, Isacc James Swiftbird of Whispering Pines, NC and step-son Casey Phelps of Mandan, ND; grandchildren, Zoe Sutton, Gabriel Swiftbird and Gracie Rae Swiftbird; and sister, Julia Little Hawk of Pine Ridge, SD.

Joseph is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Benjamin; and his sisters, Wanda Barrett and Estelle Hawkings (Cookie).

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, 1825 46th St, Mandan, ND 58554 and Service Dogs for SOF K9 Memorial Airborne & Special Operations Museum Foundation.

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***Following the burial the family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the Mandan Eagles .***

In Loving Memory Of

# *Joseph C. (Chuck) Swiftbird*

February 6, 1954 — October 20, 2018

**Visitation** **Tuesday, October 23, 2018; 4:00-8:00 p.m.**  
**Weigel Funeral Home**  
**Funeral Liturgy** **Thursday, October 25, 2018; 11:30 a.m.**  
**Saint Joseph Catholic Church**  
**Celebrant** **Rev. Jarad Wolf**  
**Musicians** **Melissa Mosbrucker & Gene Mosbrucker**  
**Opening Song** *“Here I Am, Lord”*

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### Liturgy of the Word

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Old Testament Reading	Isaiah 25; 6a 7-9
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 23
<i>“Shepherd Me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.”</i>	
New Testament Reading	Romans 6:3-4, 8-9
Gospel Reading	Matthew 5:1-12a
Homily	

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### Liturgy of the Eucharist

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Preparation of Gifts Song	<i>“Servant Song”</i>
Presentation of Gifts	
Consecration of Eucharist	
Communion Song	<i>“Be Not Afraid”</i>
Communion Meditation	<i>“Wherever You Go”</i>
Final Commendation	<i>“Old Hundredth”</i>
Closing Song	<i>“On Eagle’s Wings”</i>

### Urn Bearers

Laura ~ Isereal ~ Isacc ~ Jackie ~ Casey

**Burial of the Urn**

**North Dakota Veterans Cemetery**

Mandan, North Dakota