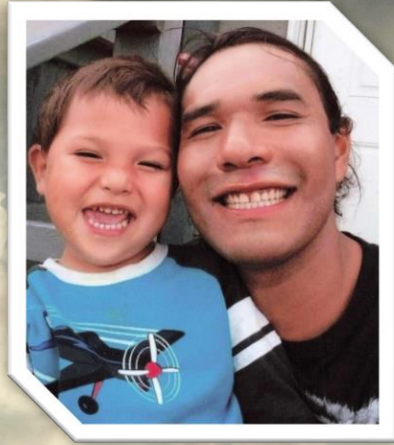
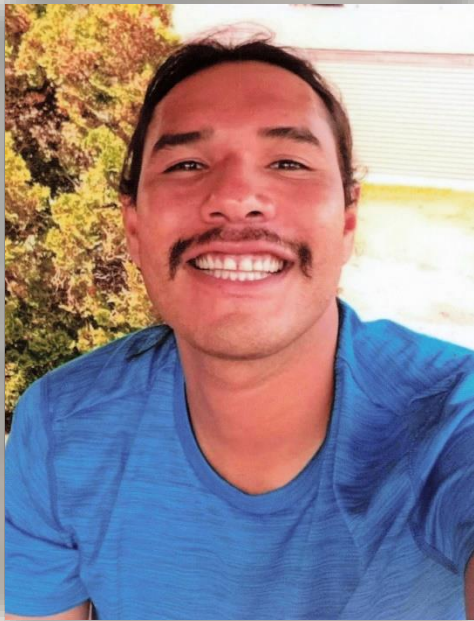


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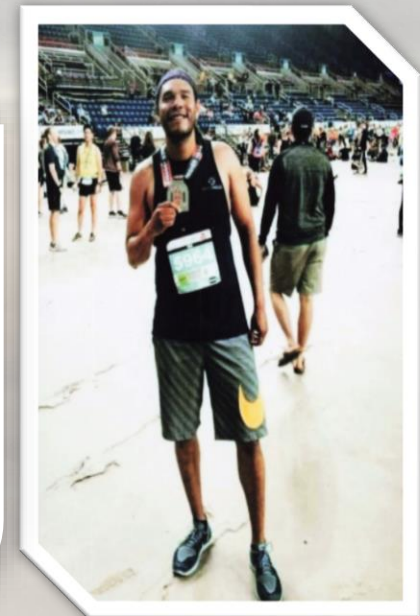
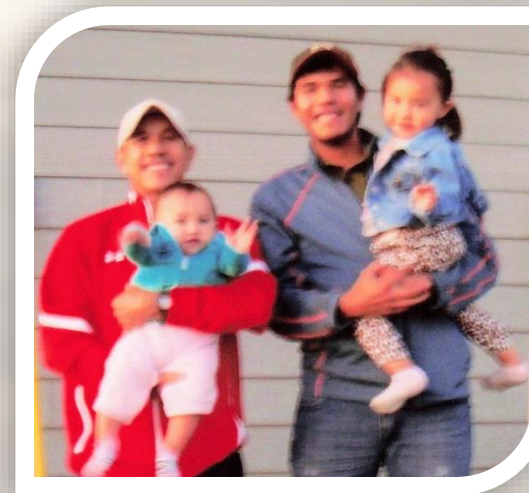
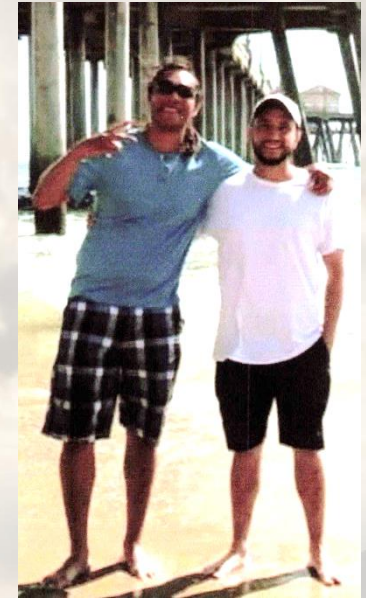




Tributes

Remembering the Life of... Benjamin Patrick Barragan
Born July 3, 1994, in Sunnyvale, California to Anita Cavanaugh and Gustavo Barragan. The family moved back to North Dakota where Benjamin was raised, educated, worked, and lived for the past 29 years of his short life.

He graduated from Minnewaukan High School and was active in all sports and activities which continued into his adult life. He ran a marathon race in Fargo two years ago of which he was proud for placing 28 out of 300. His pursuit of higher education at Cankdeska Cikana Community College continued until his death as well as gainful employment to support his growing family. Benjamin's life experience as a child included participation in cultural and spiritual activities, travelling with his family to treaty council meetings, interacting with many Tribal and Spiritual Leaders, many of whom have passed on. He was aware of his ancestral lineage from his maternal and paternal families both richly steeped in centuries of Indigenous culture, spirituality, and identity. He grew up in a respectful family (Cavanaugh, Sherman, and Barragan) left with choices to map a future for himself.



NATIVE AMERICAN POEM

I give you the one thought to keep-

I am with you still, I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow,

I am the diamond glints on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain,

I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush,

**I am the swift, uplifting rush of
quiet birds in circled flight.**

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not think of me as gone-

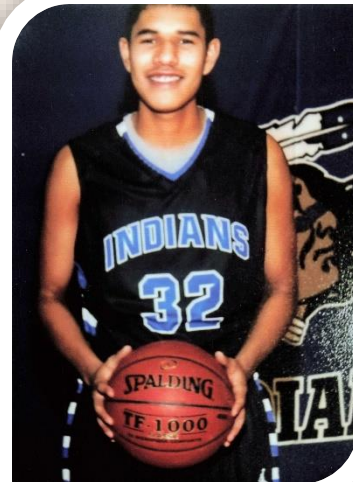
I am with you still, in each new dawn.

We need to cherish those good memories of Benjamin. He might chide you and say "Remember me with smiles and laughter, for that is how I will remember you all. If you only remember me with tears, then do not remember me at all." Benjamin was raised with respect, family values, spiritual and cultural knowledge to sustain his safe transition from the physical world to the spirit world. Benjamin had a profound effect on family, friends, relatives, and anyone he encountered in life with his beautiful smile, laughter, glowing aura, and kindness. He had a passion for life, energy, and determination to raise his children, confront his challenges, and move forward. His sudden departure leaves a void in our hearts and our family, friends, and relatives who have many memories of him.

Benjamin is with his grandfathers; Benjamin and Juan; grandmothers; Stella and Grace; uncles; Rodney and Joseph; son; Benjamin P. Barragan and many relatives.

We know he is grieving and saddened but he understands and hears out prayers and thoughts for his well-being through our faith and belief in the Creator as we mourn.

He is survived by his five loving children; Rosaline, Zaliegha, Cecilia, Ernesto, and Alejandro; brothers; Xavier and Rafael; mother and father; aunts; Irma, Eva, Rosa, Gloria, Maria, Rita, Guadalupe, Wicahpi, and Astel; uncles; Raul, Juan, Patrick, Justin and Rafael..



HONORARY BEARERS

Shanee Lohnes ~ Ska Dubois
Jonathan Yankton ~ Destry Gardner
Trudy Iceman ~ Almara Iceman
Rusty Iceman ~ Jeannie Cavanaugh
Kalsey McKay ~ Bernadine Littlewind
Clayton Dubois ~ Myra Dubois
P.J. Lohnes ~ Denise Fredricks
Anne Wadsworth ~ Rena SpottedBird
Vernon SpottedBird ~ Tiffany Littleghost
Elizabeth Walker ~ Thomas Robertson
Karen Jackson ~ Shania Sherman
Mildred Hill ~ Vicky Hill
Melanie Hill
Carmen Abraham and Family
Vanessa Cavanaugh ~ Marcus Cooley
Fawn Sullivan ~ Selina Old Rock
Stacy Charboneau
Robert and Alfreda Charboneau
Mary and Derrick Ironhawk
Brenda Joshua ~ Wanda Thomas
Joyce Thomas ~ Cherise Robertson
Michelle Thomas ~ Sheyenne Bustos
Lynnia Bustos ~ Debbie Little
Marilyn Thompson ~ Justin Cavanaugh
Sioux Manufacturing and Company
Spirit Lake Tribe
Four Winds School and Staff
All others who provided their support in time of need.

In Loving Memory *Our Precious Dad, Son, Brother, Nephew, Cousin* ***Benjamin Patrick Barragan***

BEGAN HIS JOURNEY ON EARTH

Sunday, July 3, 1994

Sunnyvale, California

BEGAN HIS JOURNEY TO THE SPIRIT WORLD

Thursday, June 13, 2024

Los Angeles, California

ROSARY SERVICE

Saturday, July 13, 2024 ~ 9:00 a.m.

St. Michael's Wellness Center

St. Michael, North Dakota

Led by Tony McDonald

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, July 13, 2024 ~ 10:00 a.m.

St. Michael's Wellness Center

St. Michael, North Dakota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Larry Thiele

MUSIC

*All Drum Groups and Singers are welcome to share
their music in memory of Benjamin*

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Callen Sherman ~ Shaquille Dubois ~ Phillip Lohnes

Joshua Lohnes ~ Joseph Robertson ~ Devin Smith

Richard Brownshield

LAID TO PEACEFUL REST

Family Cemetery

Rural St. Michael, North Dakota