

Wilmar Edward Hanks, 47, of White Earth, MN passed away on Saturday, January 30th, 2021. A Traditional Native American Visitation will start on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 4 PM, at the White Earth Community Center. Funeral service will be held on Friday, February 5, 2021 at 10 AM, at the White Earth Community Center.

Wilmar Edward Hanks was born on February 14, 1973, in Minneapolis, MN to Barbara Hanks and Wilmar Skippingday. Wilmar lived in the Minneapolis area before moving to White Earth, MN about ten years ago. Wilmar was nicknamed “Willy-John” or “Willy” but, preferred to be called “Will”. Will has four children Victoria, Jasmin, Tyrone, and Savanna. He always talked about his children and loved them all so very much. He was a great protector and loved to help his family in any way he could. He was also very thoughtful and considerate. Will loved to travel, going to the casino to play slots, read books about the “Anishinaabe Way of Life”, he also just learned to rice. But, Will’s favorite thing to do was to visit all of his friends and family and make sure they were all ok. Will loved his culture and was very proud of his heritage.

Left to mourn his passing are his parents Barbara Hanks and Wilmar Skippingday; children Victoria, Jasmin, Tyrone, and Savanna; siblings Janet, Julie, Shashana, and Brenda; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

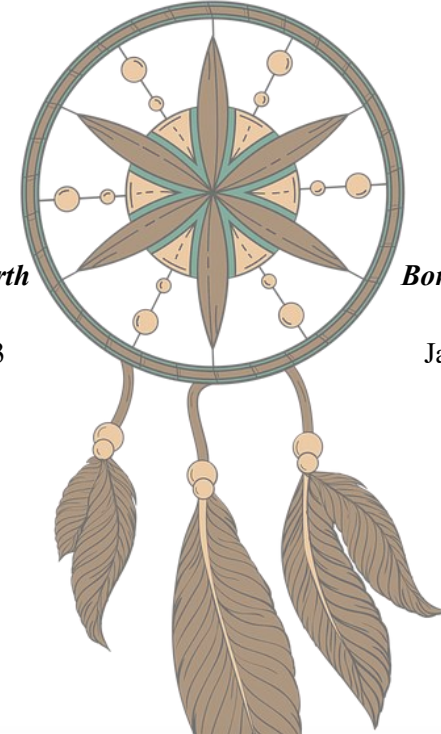
Preceding Will in death were his grandparents George and Audrey Hanks, and Benjamin and Cecelia Skippingday; numerous aunts, uncles, and extended family.

Remembering With Love *Wilmar Hanks*

1973 - 2021



In Loving Memory of
Wilmar Edward Hanks



Born to Life on Earth

~
February 14, 1973
Minneapolis
Minnesota

Born to Life Eternal

~
January 30, 2021
White Earth
Minnesota

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at close of day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times,
A loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and share with me.
God wanted me now:
He set me free*

Service of Love and Remembrance

Traditional Wake begins on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 4:00pm
Funeral Service begins Friday, February 5, 2021 at 10:00am
White Earth Community Center
White Earth, Minnesota
Mike Dahl, *Spiritual Leader*

Casket Bearers

John Butler III Alonso Butler Dale Butler
Leroy Hanks Lance Hanks

Honorary Casket Bearers

All of the "HANKSTERS"

Spring Interment

White Earth Traditional Cemetery
White Earth, Minnesota