



A Native Prayer

Oh Great Spirit,
whose voice I hear in the wind.
I am small and weak.
I need your strength and wisdom.
Make my eyes ever behold
the red and purple sunset.
Make my hands respect
the things you have made.
And my ears sharp to your voice.
Make me wise that I may know the
things you have taught your children.
The lessons you have written
in every leaf and rock.
Make me strong.
Not to be superior to my brothers
But to fight my greatest enemy,
Myself ...
Make me ever ready to come to you
with straight eyes
So that when life fades
as the fading sunset
My spirit may come to you
without shame.

In Loving Memory
Fritz Damon Birdbear Jr.
Bangs of a Horse
(Ihdiish)

Date & Place of Birth
June 5, 1976 ~ Bismarck, North Dakota

Date & Place of Death
August 14, 2016 ~ Mandaree, North Dakota

Wake Services
Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 5 o'clock
St. Anthonys Catholic Church
Mandaree, North Dakota

Funeral Mass
Friday, August 19, 2016 at 10 o'clock
St. Anthonys Catholic Church
Mandaree, North Dakota

Officiating
Father Roger Synek

Senior Pallbearer
Edward Lonefight

Active Pallbearers
John Nelson Birdbear Robert Don Birdbear
Aaron Yellowwolf A.J. Grinnell
Gerard Jarski Robert Driver
Josh Badhawk Brandon Romero

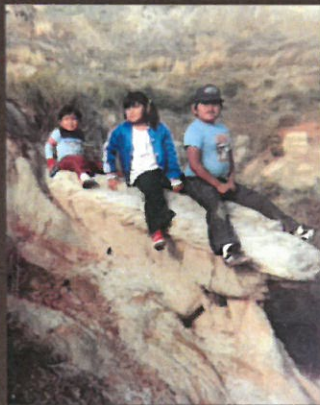
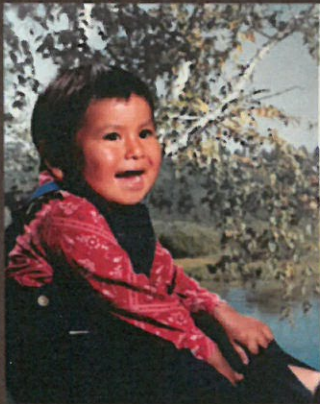
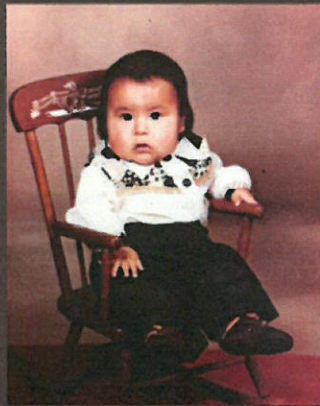
Final Resting Place
St. Anthonys Catholic Church Cemetery ~ Mandaree, ND



Fritz Damon Birdbear, Jr



6-5-76 to 8-14-16



Fritz Damon Birdbear Jr., departed on Sunday, August 14, 2016 at his residence in Mandaree, ND. Fritz Damon Birdbear was born to Fritz and Martha Birdbear on June 5, 1976.

Damon attended Mandaree High School and graduated in 1996. After graduation Damon had many interest in life. He attended the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, ND; he trained for welding in Chicago IL and American Indian Art Institute in Santa Fe, NM for digital art. He also attended Fort Berthold Community College in New Town, ND. Damon was a man who could adapt to any career challenge and mastered many trades. He worked various jobs such as pipeline, casino and in the customer service industry.

He was a humble person who cared deeply for his family. His coworkers often described him as a caring peaceful man. Damon had many friend and he loved to joke and laugh with all of his cousins.

Damon had three children that he loved dearly, Delphine Faith, Primberly Rose and John Lee. He was a very caring father who always talked about his children.

He was preceded in death by his sister Coralee; brother Calvin; grandpa Robert Birdbear, Grandma Cora Snow, grandparents John and Thelma (Burr) Yellow Wolf.

Damon is survived by his father and mother Fritz Birdbear Sr and Martha Birdbear, his children Delphine Faith, Primberly Rose and John Lee Birdbear; sister Ann Birdbear and adopted brother Sam L. Lincoln and his lifelong very close and dear friend John Lee Klemstrad whom he named his own son after.

