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Joyce Chase Rave, 75, died at 7:35 a.m. on June 28, 2016 at Vibra Hospital in Mandan, North Dakota. She was born in Elbowoods. She is the daughter of Emmerine and Bernard Chase Sr.

Joyce grew up as an only daughter who was cherished by her family. Her mother's love was expressed in the many hours she spent creating a red beaded buckskin dress for Joyce, a dress Joyce cherished all her life. It represents love, sacrifice, respect and honor for a daughter. Joyce knew the significance of this traditional gift and the responsibility that came with it.

Joyce and her five brothers – all of them military veterans – were raised in a traditional home. Joyce belonged to the Prairie Chicken Clan and was a child of the Knife Clan.

When you are raised in a loving and respectful environment you are prepared to be a responsible adult. Joyce's adventure into the adult world was filled with success. She was self-sufficient, willing to try new experiences, and her work ethic allowed her to advance in her career. Joyce studied business administration skills at Haskell in Lawrence, Kansas. She also taught computer courses at the Los Angeles Indian Center. When she lived in Cleveland, Ohio, she worked for Continental Railway. She worked for IBM, Coldwell Banker and the 1984 U.S. Olympics and at the Letterman's Army Hospital at the Presidio in San Francisco.

Joyce and Carlin's relationship had been rooted in devotion and love for each other. They were together for more than 40 years and their love touched the hearts of many friends and relatives. In 1984 they left California and returned to Fort Berthold to care for her father. Together Joyce and Carlin took on life's challenges and overcame many hardships. Joyce's health aliments would have overwhelmed other couples, but not them. They stood strong and resolved to overcome each crisis. They kept the other going when one might be too tired and weak to carry on alone.

She and Carlin raised their nephew Percy "Beau" Chase. The birth of grandchildren was always cause for celebration. Her most recent grandchild, Amina Carle Chase, brought her much joy. Joyce and Carlin also shared the love of three other children – Tiffany, Jodi and Carl – from Carlin's previous marriage.

Joyce had a strong connection to the land and cherished all animals. She especially loved horses and grew up riding them in Red Butte and Mandaree. In her later years, she had two faithful pets by her side. Most people who know Joyce remember her cat and dog, Z and Lovey.

Joyce grew up in a large family. All her relatives called her "Sister." She has taught the next generation the concept of unconditional family love. The grandchildren will carry on these time honored cultural values and kinships.

As a sister-in-law, she was greatly respected for how deeply she cared for Carlin. She was full of grace and honor for his family.

Joyce was a faithful Catholic woman who believed in the power of prayer. She appreciated the prayers for her and believed prayer helped her live a full life. She convinced Carlin to convert to the Catholic faith so they could share their faith in harmony.

Joyce tried to prepare family members for her passing and she wanted them to continue on their journey standing strong and walking together remembering her love and devotion to them. She will be remembered for her great strength in the face of failing health. She proved to be an extremely tough woman and always stayed strong in spirit even as her body weakened.

In her lifetime, Joyce buried four of her brothers – Warren, Wally, Leroy and Bernard "Sonny" Chase. At the end of her life, it was just Joyce and Gary. She loved her brother and was appreciative for all that he did to help her through the years. Gary has proved to be the big brother who looked after his little sister to the very end.

We all have memories of the good times spent with Joyce. We will all remember her laughter and carry her love forward.



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Joyce is survived by her husband Carlin Rave Sr.; nephew Percy "Beau" Chase (Natasha); son, Carlin Rave Jr. (Dariel); daughters, Jodi Rave Spotted Bear (Frankie); Tiffany Rave (Omar); brother, Gary Chase (Inichin).

She was preceded in death by: Parents, Emmerine and Bernard Chase Sr.; brothers, Bernard "Sonny" Chase Jr., Warren Chase, Wallace "Wally" Chase and Leroy Chase.

Wake Services: Thursday, June 30, 2016

5:00 p.m.

St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Mandaree, North Dakota

Funeral Services: Friday, July 1, 2016

10 a.m.

St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Mandaree, North Dakota

Burial: St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery

Pall Bearers

Lionel Chase Jr.
Omar Vega
Colby Youngbird
Nathaniel Mayer
Harley "Taco" Pace
Darian Morsette
Wayne Fast Wolf
Matthew Vogel
Shannon Hale
Ty Chase

Honorary Pall Bearers

Marcia White Eagle Lana Gipp Mary Lee Johns Sharon Vogel Marcy Miner Wilma Straight Head Carol Knight **Douglas Dupris** Kermit Dupris Frederick Dupris Dana Dupris Kelly McGrady Cor Hopkins Dorreen Yellow Bird **Dolly Hopkins** Joyce High Elk Dawn Johnson TAT Dialysis Unit Kelly Spotted Bear James "Jimmy" Rave All her many friends

Senior Pallbearen Avella White Officiant Roger Synck Music Oak Dale Singers









"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."—Isaiah 40:31







