



# MHA Women's History Month 2019



Darlene Finley

Darlene was born on October 19. She is of the Knife clan and a child of Waterbuster clan. Darlene has worked for Social Services related programs for 40 years. She started at the Indian Health Service as a Psychologist technician. In 1974, she became a community specialist at the

Bureau of Indian Affairs. She relocated to the Fort Berthold Social Services as a service representative. On January 10, 1984 when the Tribe contracted the Social Services program her and longtime colleague Audrey Davis pioneered together in the program helping many families on our reservation. She rarely missed a day and even worked on weekends to complete projects. She worked for the Social Services program for 28 years and 5 months.

Her children and grandchildren fondly remember their upbringing. Darlene was a very strong, loving mother that never told her children what to do, but showed them how to do things, a very kinesthetic parenting style. She also taught her family her amazing work ethic, which left a lasting impression on her family to be dependable, honest, and responsible employees. She always upheld her integrity in everything she did. And her family strides to be just like that. Dedicated to her work, she's also a dedicated mother and grandmother. She attends everyone's sporting activities and is everyone's number #1 fan.