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**Lonefight Spots Endangered Whopping Cranes Near White Shield** 



While birding in an area near White Shield, Lonefight spots six Whopping Cranes. The birding community is excited that Cranes stopped in our area. (see more information about cranes see page 10)



#### From the desk Fred Fox, Councilman, East Segment, White Shield, ND 58540



Hello friends/relatives and community members.

Spring has arrived! Well, at least the date has. I'm not too sure about the weather though. Also, graduation is around the corner for all our High School Seniors and College Students. Graduation may be an end of a chapter and also the beginning of another chapter for some. One thing is certain about education; no one can take your degree away. You will always have it, and it will always be a factor in your life.

It seems like yesterday I graduated from high school and college. Time sure flies. This year is very special to me because my son graduates from high school. It also seems like it was yesterday when his mother and I were preparing for his Headstart graduation. I know his mother is smiling in heaven for all his great accomplishments in high school academics and athletic achievements.

I want to congratulate all our graduates in White Shield and every Tribal member celebrating this great achievement. Graduation in White Shield is May 24th at 5:00 pm, it will be our first graduation in our brand new gymnasium.

I know we have an Elder Trip May 13<sup>th</sup>. I know we had a tough time setting it up in the beginning, and I want to thank the Elder Committee for putting the trip together the first time. It's very hard to please everyone. I know I have learned in this position, you can never please everyone. So with that said, I know we are going to have a very successful and fun elder trip. I always want to remind our elders and community members the reason behind the Elder Trip. The purpose of the Elder Trip is so all our elders can spend a few days together, whether it's traveling on a bus, having dinner, or sitting at a slot machine. Enjoying each other's company is important because we are not promised tomorrow. Having memories and laughing is good medicine that goes a long way.

With spring in full swing, we will be breaking ground on two new projects which will be located by the new school and cultural center. Wood Stone is the Construction Management team. They will be mobilizing their team in White Shield after Memorial Day. Groundbreaking on the East Segment Tribal Building and new Elder Building will be the week before the company mobilizes. We are very excited about these projects getting underway. With that said we are working on two more projects to follow in the spring of 2020. We will be constructing the White Shield EMS Building which will be the permanent headquarters for the law enforcement, ambulance, and White Shield fire department. The other building that will replace the longtime Ralph Wells Complex is a new community center. I will bring more details in the next segment update.

I hope everyone has a great spring planting season or spring cleaning. It's always good to get out of the house and fix up the yard. A long winter gives everyone spring fever. Take care and God bless.



### **White Shield Senior Class of 2019**



Names of above students are not in alphabetic order like the names below.

Marisa Andrade, Shallen Azure, Parker Bearstail, Devin Benson, Gardner Deegan, Cheri Esquibel, Neo Everett,Frederick Fox Jr., Oscar Howard III, Brooklin Howling Wolf, Dakota Kearnes, Johnny Malnourie, Maxine Wilkinson, Molly Wilkinson, Red Eagle Woman Perkins

### **Buffalo Keynote Speaker at White Shield Graduation**



Buffalo is an enrolled member of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. She has a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice and three master's degrees: management, business administration, and public health.

Her involvement in politics began when she ran for insurance commissioner of the state in 2016 but lost. In April 2017, she became party secretary of the North Dakota Democratic-Nonpartisan League and in July 2017, her major appointed her to the Fargo Native American Commission.

Buffalo is the first Native American Democratic elected to the North Dakota Legislature. She serves in the 27the District and started to serve from December 1, 2018, to 2019.

KMOT-TV – Best of 2019 Class For White Shield is Johnny Malnouri Shallen Azure Program starts May 1st

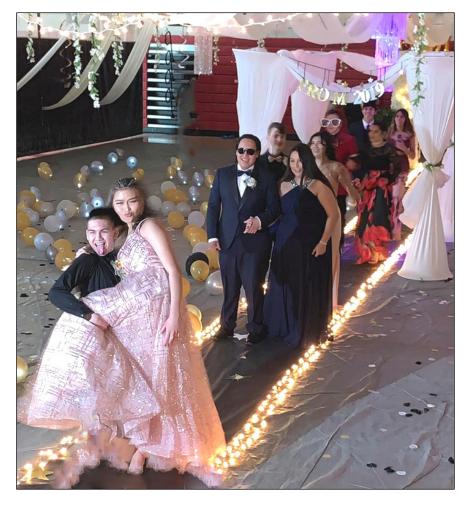
Remember Sunday, May 12 is the White Shield War Bonnet at the Ralph Well Complex. Come and enjoy the day and help the Celebration Committee raise funds for the Celebration in July.



### WHITE SHIELD PROM 2019

Queen McKenzie Howling Wolf and King Frederick Fox

Treann Standing
Alone and her date
Peter Mcloud



### Floor and Site Plans for the Public Safety Building and Community Center at White Shield

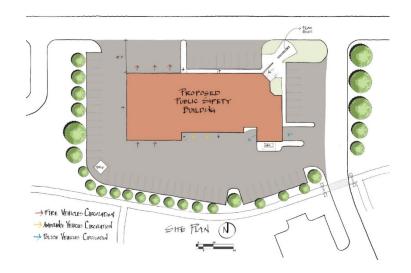
Below are the floor plans, site plans, and renderings for the Community Center and the updated floor plans and site plan for the Public Safety building proposed for White Shield.

The Community Center is the same square feet as the one in Twin Buttes and is likely to cost the same. The new Public Safety building is 16,000 SF and is likely to cost between \$4,000,000 - \$4,800,000 depending upon local construction costs.

Fred Fox says these two buildings start will 2020. They may change as the building begins to go up but basically will be as commissioned. Future buildings will be presented as plans and renderings are put together.



White Shield Public Safety Building

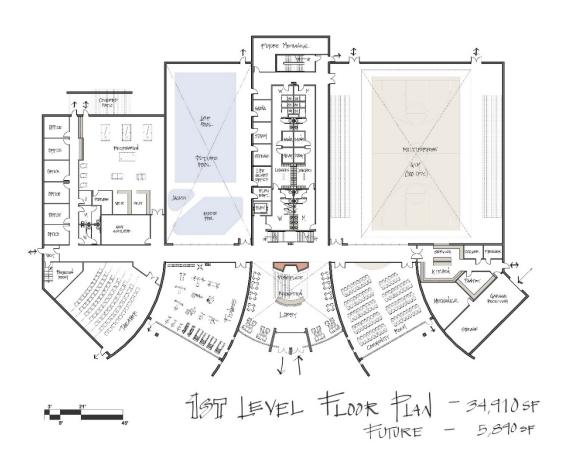








Community Building rendering



# Spring is here as evidenced by the migration over North Dakota and White Shield area. Below are some of the birds spotted over our White Shield area

(Bird & deer photos by Karen Lonefight)



The first important bird spotted was near White Shield. The whooping crane, the tallest North American bird, is an endangered crane species named for its whooping sound. Along with the sandhill crane, it is one of only two crane species found in North America. They reach height of 5 ft with a wing span of 7 ft. The whooping crane's lifespan is estimated to be 22 to 24 years in the wild.

The whooping crane is one of the rarest North American birds, and also one of the largest and most magnificent. Once fairly widespread on the northern prairies, it was brought to the brink of extinction in the 1940s, but strict protection has brought the wild population back to well over one hundred. The flock that winters on the central Texas coast fly 2400 miles north to nest in Wood Buffalo National Park in central Canada; this remote breeding area was not discovered until 1954.

The flock of six were spotted and photographed by Karen Lonefight, who is an avid birder. She reported her to find to birders in the area, and there was some excitement. One of the most important things about a find like this is to keep it quiet so as not to disturb the birds.



The Franklin's
Gull is unique
among gulls in
having two
complete molts
each year rather
than one.
The floating nest
of the Franklin's
Gull gradually
sinks as the
material below the
water surface

decays, and it requires continual maintenance. Both parents add new nest material daily until one or two weeks before departing the colony. Older chicks also add nest material from the immediate vicinity of the nest.



This is a **Yellow-headed blackbird** photographed in the field.

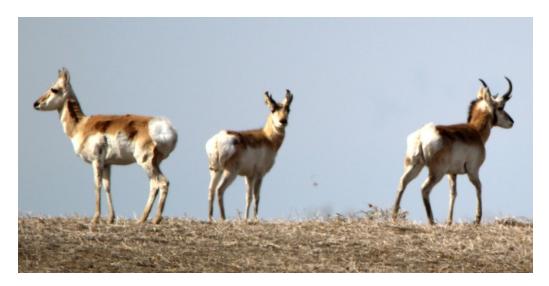
The male **Yellow-headed Blackbird** is impressive to see, but not to hear: it may have the worst song of any North American bird, a hoarse, harsh scraping.



The **Bald Eagle** has been the national emblem of the United States since 1782 and a spiritual symbol for native people for far longer than that. These regal birds aren't bald, but

their white-feathered heads gleam in contrast to their chocolatebrown body and wings. Look for them soaring in solitude, chasing other birds for their food, or gathering by the hundreds in winter. Once endangered by hunting and pesticides, Bald Eagles have flourished under protection.

There are many eagles in the White Shield area.



The **pronghorn** (Antilocapra americana) is a species of artiodactyl mammal indigenous to interior western and central North America. Though not an antelope. Pronghorn hooves have two long, cushioned, pointed toes which help absorb shock when running at high speeds.

### The Crocus of White Shield Sign of Spring



Crocus is one of the first flowers to bloom each spring with blossoms that often open when there's still snow on the ground.

Crocus is carefree bulbs that naturalize and multiply to produce more flowers every year.

(photographed in her back yard by Dorreen Yellow Bird)

Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, the White Shield Community will commemorate those who defended this country and served in the military.





Remember our fallen heros. They are the reason that we are free.



### Tribe and State Sign a compact over Tax rate on oil and gas production

Applause broke out in a room filled with officials representing state and tribal governments as Gov. Doug Burgum, left, and Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation Chairman Mark Fox hold copies of a compact both signed about three weeks ago in the state Capitol in Bismarck. The compact maintains the current tax rate on oil and gas production and extraction within the Fort Berthold Reservation while changing how the state and tribe share tax revenue from new oil and gas activity on trust and fee lands. North Dakota House members put their stamp of approval on a new tribal oil tax agreement, the final hurdle for resolving a dispute with the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation over how oil revenue is shared.

The House voted 84-8 on Wednesday in support of a bill that is estimated to send an additional \$33.6 million in oil tax revenue to the tribe in the next two-year budget cycle.

Rep. Craig Headland, R-Montpelier, chairman of the House Finance and Taxation Committee, urged legislators to approve House Bill 2312, which was the result of extensive work by a tribal taxation committee.

Headland said the bill removes the "looming potential" for dual taxation on oil produced at Fort Berthold, a situation he said would be devastating to industry and state revenues.

"This bill is meant to improve the business climate by providing economic certainty to the state, the tribe and the industry on the reservation," Headland said.

The state and the MHA Nation currently share equally in tax revenue from oil produced at Fort Berthold. But tribal leaders objected in 2015 when state lawmakers reduced the overall tax on oil production from 11.5 percent to 10 percent.

The new agreement resolves that dispute by sending 80 percent of oil tax revenue from trust lands to the tribe, while 20 percent would go to the state. For fee lands, which are private lands within the reservation, the state would receive 80 percent of the oil tax revenue, and the tribe would receive 20 percent.

Because more oil development is occurring on trust lands, or lands held in trust by the government for the benefit of the tribes, the state is projected to lose tax revenue while MHA will receive a greater share. The agreement applies to newly drilled wells, not existing wells.

However, oil industry leaders have said they expect to increase investment at Fort Berthold as a result of the agreement. If the industry adds two drilling rigs to Fort Berthold over a two-year budget cycle, that will offset the financial impact to the state, according to estimates from the state Tax Department.

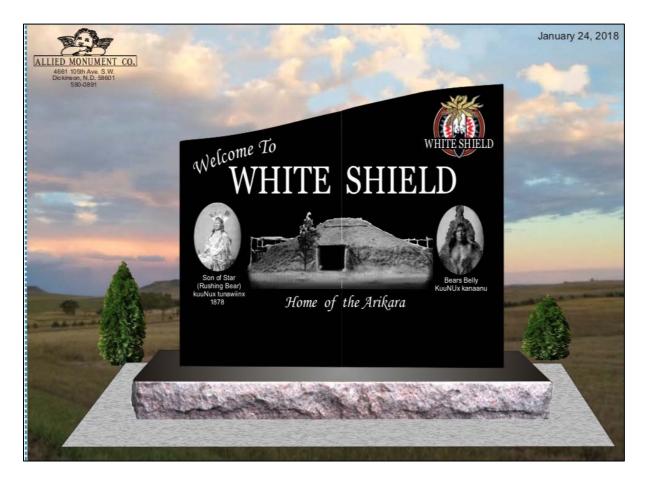
Gov. Doug Burgum and MHA Nation Chairman Mark Fox signed a new oil tax compact on Feb. 28 that mirrors the language in the bill. Some members of the House objected to being asked to vote on the bill after the governor signed the agreement.

"It feels like our hands were forced to vote for this legislation before it even had a public hearing," said Rep. Sebastian Ertelt, R-Lisbon.

Fox has said the tribe plans to invest the additional revenue in roads, housing, and other infrastructure, as well as stimulate investment to reduce natural gas flaring. Fort Berthold produces just under 300,000 barrels of oil per day, about one-fifth of North Dakota's overall production.

The bill also continues the work of the tribal taxation issues committee, led by Burgum, during the next interim. The bill still requires Burgum's signature, considered a formality since he's already signed the compact and voiced his support for the legislation. (*Story from the Bismarck Tribune*)

### Something New and Beautiful on the White Shield Roads



If you are coming to White Shield on highway 1804 from the East you will find a black marble monument. The marble is from China. The monument indicates you are entering the area of the White Shield Community.

There is also a monument on the north side, just before the curve on highway 7. It is not up yet. The only indications of the marker is a platform. It is just north of the new White Shield School.

Each of the markers will be lite by solar lights to easily identify you are near the White Shield area.

<b>◄</b> Apr 2019	■ Apr 2019 May 2019 Jun 2019 ▶						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3	4 White Shield Prom 6 pm in New School gym.	
<b>5</b> Night of the Stars – Minot, ND Magic City Team. Minot Auditorium at 6OM	6	7	8	9 Annual Elders Fair – Northern Lights. Starts at	10	11	
12 White Shield War Bonnet Dance – Complex – Starts at 1 pm.	13 ELDERS TRIP to MYSTIC LAKE CASINO, PRIOR LAKE, MN – LV 8 AM	<b>14</b> MYSTIC LAKE	15 Athletic Banquet pm at New School MYSTIC Lake	16 RETURN TRIP FROM MYSTIC – Arrive back about 7 pm	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24 2019 White Shield Graduation 5 pm	25	
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31		

### **April and May Elder Birthdays**

Madonna Azure	4/11		
Angelita Felix	4/14	Thomas Breuer	5/18
Dolly Hopkins	4/12	Yvonne Fox	5/2
Constance Howling Wolf	4/12	Joyce Krueger	5/16
Karen Mulluk	4/48	Herman Mongram	5/31
Ferol Snow	4/26	Phillip Ross	5/2
Gerald White	4/25		



Rosalie Y. Schreiner, 84, Garrison, died peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at her home in Garrison. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 10:30 am at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Garrison. A rosary will be said on Friday at 7:30 pm at the church. Burial will be at St. Nicholas Catholic Cemetery in Garrison. Visitation will be held on Friday from 3 to 6 pm at Thompson Funeral Home in Garrison.

Rosalie "Dosie" Hosie, Jaeger, Schreiner was born June 27, 1934 at Elbowoods, ND to Wallace and Camille (Frederick) Hosie. She was raised and educated in Garrison, ND. Upon

graduation in 1952, she attended the College of St. Benedict near St. Cloud, MN where she studied music. She then ventured off to California where she met her first husband, Leonard Jaeger. From this marriage 8 children were born.

Rosalie lived in Colorado for several years before moving back to Garrison. She worked hard at various jobs including substitute teaching at White Shield, ND, the Garrison Clinic, Farmers Union Elevator, and the Garrison Nursing Home.

In 1989, Rosalie married Arnie Schreiner. Following his retirement, they moved back to Garrison where they lived happily for 10 years until his death in 1999.

Mom was a beautiful, kind hearted person with a heart of gold! She always had a smile on her face and was caring and understanding to all who knew her. She was very devoted to her faith and was an active member of St. Ann's Altar Society. She also helped at the church and pushed patients to the chapel for mass at the Garrison Nursing Home. Rosalie had a magnificent soprano voice and she sang at many weddings and funerals. Our favorite songs that mom sang were, "Ave Maria" and "O Holy Night". Her other interests were painting, sewing, going for rides in vehicles, and traveling with her family in her later years. She also loved to people watch. Rosalie is survived by her children, Nancy (Bernard) Bauche, Redvers, SK, Canada, Patricia (Glenn) Mehring, Carrington, ND, Brenda (Lewis) Bauer, Garrison, ND, Michael Jaeger, New Town, ND, Julie Jaeger, Fremont, OH, David (Carla) Jaeger, Williston, ND, Thomas (Becky) Jaeger, Elk River, MN; step daughter, Stacey Schreiner, Denver, CO; step son, Scott Schreiner, Florida; 20 grandchildren, Chantal Bauche, Matthieu Bauche, Mila (Jordan) Miller and Thomas Bauche, Michelle (Mitch) Cunningham and Dale (Elida) Mehring, Jeremy Bauer, Justin (Melinda) Bauer, and Joshua Bauer, Erica (Christopher) Brewer and Bridget Klosterman, Samantha Burgeson, Wyatt Jaeger, and McKenzie Heagney, Lindsey, Madison, and Emily Jaeger, Lexie, Logen, and Levi Jaeger; 3 step grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren; two sisters, Wandalee McKee, Piquot Lakes, MN and Donalee Boujikian, Torrance, CA; sister-inlaw, Gertie Schreiner; brother and sister-in-law, Donald (Marjie) Schriener, all of Garrison; 3 sisters-in-law and 2 brothers-in-law, Pat Schumaier, Minot, Margarete and Robert Kroeplin, Hillsboro, OR and Jacqueline and Elmer Flath, Lakewood, CO.

Rosalie was preceded in death by her son John Jaeger, parents, Wallace and Camille Hosie, husband, Leonard Jaeger, husband, Arnie Schriener, a niece and a nephew.



Virgil Frank Chase, Jr., Wiináxtš Neešáánú (Boy Chief), 44, Mandan, formerly of Bear Den, Mandaree, died Thursday, April 11, 2019 at his home.

He was born on March 23, 1975 at New Town Nursing Home during a blizzard, to Vivian Gillette and Virgil Frank Chase, Sr. He was also known as "puddin" in his early years then later most people referred to him as "Jar".

Jar attended school in New Town and later received his GED from Bismarck Public Schools. He went on to United Tribes Technical College receiving his Welding Certificate. He was proud of that accomplishment and enjoyed working on any

and all welding projects. He was able to use his experience as part of the construction crew of the Four Bears Memorial Bridge in New Town and as a boilermaker in Beulah.

Jar boxed for 9 years and was known as The Super Flea. He received many championship titles in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, and Minnesota as a Silver and Golden Glove boxer. He went on to win the Junior Olympic Championship. He received four State Boxing Championships for North Dakota. He was considered a very smooth elusive fighter. In his adult life he would help his dad, Virgil Sr., coach other boxers and even begin to ref some boxing matches.

Jar was a well-known, traditional dancer throughout US and Canada. He won many championships in the pow-wow circuit. His dancing allowed him to travel to many different places. He made many friends that became family through his dancing. Jar enjoyed reading, not so much online but actual physical hard copy newspapers and magazines. He was old school like that! His mind allowed him to be creative with his abilities and words. He always took pleasure in drawing, doodling and sketching. He began to create things out of braiding horse hair. His imagination would create some of the best one liners or stories.

His favorite holiday was Halloween and he would go all out decorating but when the holiday was over, he left decorations up for most of the year. It would've been fine, but his choice of decoration was dark, scary and morbid. His favorite thing to do these past few years were to go to the pawn shops to hunt for unique finds and tools. He enjoyed listening to music, but it had to be loud. He collected knives, blades, swords, and superhero collectables. Jar was a kind hearted soul, like a gentle giant. His free spirit personality led him to all kinds of adventures. He would find the good in everyone and always willing to help whomever. He had the ability to always make you laugh by his actions or his words.

Jar is survived by his daughters, Cedar Darling Chase, Carson Dream Chase; sister, Kimberly Chase - Philips (Frank) and Kathy Chapin (Charlie); brother, Lance Chase (Jacqui Keewatin); nephews, JT Largo II, Wanmbdi Sapa Chase, Wacahpi Cinksi Chase and Logan Philips; nieces, Cherisse Redearth and Shaina Chase; aunt, Yvonne Chase; uncle, Larry Dye; grandmas, Jane Church and Ginger Tina Packineau and grandpa, Vernon White Body.

Jar was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents; his mother, Vivian Gillette and his father, Virgil Chase, Sr.



**Jack Conklin**, 37, New Town, died Wednesday, April 10, 2019 in Bismarck.

Jack William was born to Leonard Sr. and Dona (Lone Fight) Conklin in Minot on October 10, 1981. Jack attended school in New Town and Mandaree and received his GED. Jack was employed at Mandaree C-Store and 4 Bears Casino where he worked as a barback, cook and custodian. He liked welding and loved painting cars. He picked up random animals who were homeless and uncared for.

Jack enjoyed BBQ's, fishing and camping. He also liked to draw; he would draw flowers for his wife with their names on it and his children names. His favorite holiday was Halloween partly because he and his little girl, Jacquelyn, were both born in October.

Jack and his wife Lana (Bubbles) were always together and he took care of her after her accident. He was so happy when his daughter baby Jac was born; he cherished her dearly. He was happy when his sister-in-law, Mindy and brother, Matt Esqubil would come to visit. Jack was a very kind hearted person who would help where he could, he would never say no even though he didn't quite know how to do things and would learn just to be able to help out. He would always be cooking for his children coming up to new recipes with "commods".

Jack leaves behind his wife, Lana; daughter, Jacquelyn; mother, Dona; sisters, ElMaire, LouAnne, Dalphine, and Ronita; brothers, Leonard Jr. "Charlie", Terry and Joseph; stepdaughters, Kaci, Tamira and Brook; step-sons, Isiah, Ben and Jack; grandchildren, Martin, Ava, Lilly and Genesis. He was preceded in death by his father; brother, Feryl; and sister, Loreen.



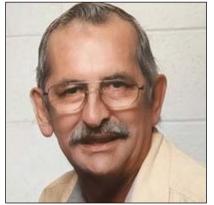
**Wanbli Gleska (Spotted Eagle) Lockwood**, (Hinhan Ska "White Owl"), 37, New Town, died Friday, April 5, 2019 at a Minot hospital, surrounded by his family.

Wanbli Gleska was born December 12, 1981 in Pierre, SD to Leo and Betty (Gary) Lockwood. He was raised in New Town, ND where he attended Edwin Loe Elementary and graduated from New Town High School in 2000. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 2002.

Wanbli Gleska was a dedicated worker. In 2004, he helped with the construction of the Four Bears bridge. He then went on to work in the oilfield for several years before being hired by Three Affiliated Tribes Rural Water in 2010. He also worked for Four Bears Segment for a few years before taking a year off to spend with his family. Most recently, Wanbli Gleska received his training as a wild land firefighter and was working for the US Forest Service in the TAT division.

Wanbli's greatest joy was raising his daughters. He was a single father who learned how to fix hair; he even let the girls paint his toenails. He loved them unconditionally.

Wanbli Gleska is survived by his daughters, Jayna, Natalie and Angel Lockwood; parents, Leo and Betty Lockwood; brothers, Curtis Lockwood (Amy Brooks), DiaDiJishWana Lockwood and Leo Lockwood, Jr.; sisters, Jolene Lockwood (Jayne Birdbear), Yolanda Lockwood, Jennifer Lockwood (Reese Kindle), Aurora Capella (Juan), Fannie Lockwood and Elizabeth Lockwood (Dakotah Bull); and many extended family members. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Cecelia Dragswolf and Melvin Star; maternal grandparents, Vera Calls Him and Joe Gary; and great-grandparents, Mary (Howling Wolf) and Edward Lockwood, Sr.



**Francis "Peggs" Lynn Azure,** 70, New Town, was called home by our Beloved God on March 22, 2019 at a hospital in Castle Rock, Colorado while traveling with his family.

Francis was born on September 3, 1948 in Minot, ND to Flora Azure & Francis Rhodes. He spent his life growing up in Minot where he attended school. He met the love of his life, Marcia Azure in 1967. They were united in marriage on October 3, 1969. Together they raised their five children, Flora (Kandi), Donavon, Travis, Rosie and Francene.

Francis moved his family to Dallas, Texas where he graduated Automotive Tech. He also completed school for Radio and Television in Glasgow, MT. They then moved and made their home in New Town, ND where he worked for Leonard Eagle at the Four Bears gas station. He also worked at the Four Bears Casino for 16 years as a card dealer and poker room manager. He finished his working life as a Para Professional Aid & Bus Driver at the Edwin Loe Elementary school. He enjoyed being with all the young students. They were all so special and dear to his heart. He taught a student to talk and another to go from class to class by holding his keys. He was a great asset to the all the teachers who had a great privilege to work with Francis throughout the years. He will be deeply missed by many.

Francis was a family man. He loved his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed traveling and visiting family and friends.

He is now greeted in Heaven by four of his kids; Donavon, Travis, Rosie and Francene.

Francis "Peggs" is survived by his wife, Marcia Azure-*New Town, ND*; Daughter, Kandi (Denny) Wolf-*New Town, ND*; seven granddaughters; one grandson; and three great-grandchildren.



**Richard Lee Robinson**, 58, Fairfield, CA, died on Friday, April 19, 2019 at his home in Fairfield. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 11:00 am at the Ralph Wells Jr. Memorial Complex in White Shield. Wake services will be held on Friday beginning at 5:00 pm at the complex. Burial will be at the Congregational Cemetery in White Shield.

Richard was born to Pearl Ross and Donald Robinson (Joplin, MO) on November 4, 1960 at Travis Airforce Base in Fairfield, CA.

Richard was a jack of all trades and he had many skills, one of which was scuba diving. Everyone knew Richard in Fairfield,

CA as he had many friends. Richard was always proud of his heritage as a member of the Three Affiliated Tribes. Over the years, he learned about the Sundance ways and befriended Dennis Banks. He had a love for the water and was a certified scuba diver at the age of 17. His love for animals was apparent to all who knew him.

Although Richard did not have biological children, he was a father figure to Stina Rubio, daughter of his dear friend, Tina Deveraux.

He will be greatly missed ball all who loved him.

Richard was preceded in death by his father, Donald Robinson, paternal grandparents, maternal grandparents, Mr. Phillip and Martina (Eagle) Ross, Uncles: Charles J. Ross, Richard D. Ross, and Aunts: Phyllis Kyllo and Mary Alice (Ross) Wells.

Richard is survived by his mother, Pear Ross, New Town, ND; Rebecca Cronis, New Town, ND Andrew Cronis, Fairfield, CA, and David Robinson; Uncle: Phillip Ross Jr., White Shield, Aunts: Joan Mathews, Four Bears, ND, Beverly White Bear, White Shield, ND, Helen Mahsetky, Bakerfield, ND, and many cousins, nieces and nephews on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

The family would like to thank all tribal dignitaries of the Three Affiliated Tribes, Elbowoods Memorial Health Center, Frank Reed and family, and all those who have helped during our time of need.



Anthony Colin Fox, 52, White Shield, died on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at his home. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 11:00 am at the Ralph Wells Jr. Memorial Complex in White Shield. Wake services will be held on Monday at 5:00 pm at the complex. Burial will be at the Congregational Cemetery in White Shield.

Tony was born January 23, 1967 in Garrison, ND to Colin Fox and Margie Tinsley (Maldonado). He lived in Southern California with his mother, Margie mostly in his childhood years. He would move back and forth from California to North Dakota to be with his dad and grandparents. He finally decided

to make White Shield his home. Tony loved living in White Shield. He lived with his grandparents, John and Agnes and sometimes with his Uncle John and Auntie Nancy. Tony

graduated from White Shield High School in 1988. He grew up and decided to make a home for himself, take care and be on his own.

Tony was very talented and creative. He made dream catchers, did beadwork, and he loved to draw. He also was a very awesome cook, especially his Mexican food. He cooked other dishes as well. He had dreams that he was not able to accomplish. He wanted to start a landscape business but due to his failing health he was not able to do so. Tony loved doing things for everyone when he could. He would always make sure the Arikara Congregational Church Cemetery was mowed and beautiful. He would especially make sure his dad, grandparents, uncles, and Goose's graves were well kept. Tony loved them so much. (He is with them now trying to groom the grounds.) He was all set to start taking welding classes with Dan at Wilkinson's Welding with instructor, Cedric Wilkinson the day the Lord called him home.

Tony had a big heart. There were times when he showed his negative side but we all knew to just give him time and his heart would open up again. It was a process with him. His family knew just how he was, that was "OUR TONY"! We all love him so much and he knew it. He will be missed by his parents, sisters, family, relatives and friends.

Tony did not have children of his own but he was a wonderful father to Megan and Delmar White Bear. They were his children plus all his nieces and nephews. He also helped raise his nieces, Casandra, and Cheyenne and nephew, Tommy Bonilla when he lived in Oregon for a few years. He will be greatly missed by his stepchildren and nieces and nephews and there is quite a few.

Tony is survived by his parents, Margie and Fred (step-father) Tinsley, Grants Pass, OR; sisters: Patsy Gomez (Anthony Sr.), Medford, OR, Annette Fox (Junior Candelaria) Sacramento, CA, Kim Liebert (Eric) Albuqquerque, NM, and Rochelle Fox, Ethete, WY; step-children: Megan and Delmar White Bear, White Shield; Godchild, Francisco Cisneros, White Shield; Auntie/Mom's: Gloria Brennan, Parshall, Ardith Elsquibel, White Shield; special cousins, Daniel Esquibel and Natalie Minafore, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, nephews and nieces in North Dakota, California, and Oregon. We will all miss you!

He was preceded in death by his dad, Colin Fox, paternal grandparents, John and Agnes Fox, maternal grandparents, Victor and Lupe Maldonado, Uncles, John, Keith, Ralph, Harold, and Freddie Wayne Fox, Richard Steve Maldonado, and Auntie, Pat Maldonado Mendez.

