Tennille Dawn Baker, 44, Kakpa-wina (Crumbling Woman) of Spirit Lake Nation passed away on Tuesday, January 6, 2021 in Devils Lake, ND.

Tennille Baker was born November 16, 1976 in Devils Lake, ND, the daughter of Connie Baker and Kirk Johnson. She grew up in Spirit Lake and attended school there. Tennille had a very caring, outgoing, upbeat, humorous personality. She was very comical, like to joke around, and quite the teaser, especially when she was excited and happy to see you.

She was a very good cook, enjoyed spending time with her grandkids, nieces and nephews, watching Minnesota Vikings, along with small talk and laughing. Tennille also liked going rummaging, playing at the casino, she liked cruising around and jamming out. At the age of seven, she danced fancy shawl for a short time. One of her proudest moments was when her son Jason and his team, the Four Winds Indians won the State Class B Basketball Championship in 2015-16 and Jason was chosen for Mr. Basketball. Tennille was baptized in 1978 at St. Michael's Catholic Church and was honored to have the late Evalina & Sylvester Jetty as Godparents. Tennille was a very avid ICE eater!

Tennille is survived by her children and loving family, Elisha (Manny Medicine Stone) Baker, Jason Feather Jr., Jace Feather, Bill Brown Jr., and Taylar Baker; mother, Connie Baker; father, Kirk Johnson; brothers, Clark Baker and Coby Red Day; step-brother, Douglas Lonebear; sisters, Chantell Red Day, Kayla Red Day, and Frances Red Day; step-sisters, Wambdi Eaglestaff and Dakota Lonebear; nine grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, and many aunts and uncles.

Tennille is proceeded in death by her grandparents, Marie & Moses Baker, and Henry & Shirley Johnson, nephews, Jerome Littlewind & Rydell Johnson, uncles Douglas, David, and Timmy Baker, Henry "Sharky" Johnson Jr.; aunts, Adel & Selma Johnson, cousins, Vera Monroe and Wendelyn Dubois.

# In Loving Memory of



Tennille D. Baker

Kakpa-Wiya (Crumbling Woman)

November 16, 1976 – January 6, 2021

#### When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, And I am not there to see, If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me...

I wish so much you would not cry the way you do each day... While thinking of the many things we did not get to say.

I know how much you LOVE me as much as I LOVE you, And each time that you think of me, please know I will miss you, too.

But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand, That an Angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand.

And said a place was ready, in heaven up above, And that I would have to leave behind all those I truly LOVE.

I had so much to live for, so much yet to do. It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.

When tomorrow starts without me, do not think we are far apart For every time you think of me, I am right here in your HEART.





#### 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 left undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh 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 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 heart and share with me, God wanted me now, he set me free.

### Celebrating The Life Of

## Tennille Dawn Baker

Kakpa-Wiya (Crumbling Woman)

November 16, 1976 – Devils Lake, ND January 6, 2021 – Devils Lake, ND

#### **WAKE & PRAYER SERVICE**

Tuesday, January 12, 2021 Wake 5:00PM, Prayer Service 7:00PM St. Michael Catholic Church, St. Michael, ND

#### MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 ~ 10:00AM St. Michael Catholic Church, St. Michael, ND

#### **OFFICIATING**

Fr. Paul Schuster

#### MUSIC

All Drum Groups are welcomed

#### **PALLBEARERS**

Roger Jetty ~ Robert Baker ~ Kenny Baker ~ Kenny Baker Jr.

Mannie Charging ~ Wade Dubois ~ Pernell Cavanaugh ~ Manny Medicinestone

#### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Crystal Thompson, Kara Longie, Sherrie St. Pierre, Clarrisa Jackson, Joe Molesburger, Linda Thompson, Linda Meyer, Valerie Bull, Penny Yankton, Lola Wanatan, Genia Jetty, Jenny White, Wanita Jensen, DJ Yali, Lynissa Bull, Richard & Sam Cavanaugh, Calvin & Candice Dubois, Marlin & Cindy Demarce, Jerry Brodell, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Bellile, Sheila & Todd Belgarde, Marie Delorme, Chepa Owl Boy, Eugene Lohnes and Dusti Goodbird. Special Friend, Glen Gordy. If we forgot to mention anyone, it was not intentional for we are going through a very difficult time.

#### BURIAL

St. Michael Catholic Cemetery, St. Michael, ND

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