

Wade Kendal Nestell was born on July 25, 1979, the son of Daniel Nestell and Wanda Thomas. As a youth Wade attended schools of Sheyenne, Minnewaukan, Crow Creek, and Four Winds all of North Dakota, and ended up getting his GED. He worked various jobs at fast food places and restaurants as a cook in restaurants in Bismarck, ND, and other labor jobs. He met the love of his life, Roberta Brown and was blessed with six sons and one daughter. He loved to play basketball growing up and continued to enjoy watching his children play basketball as they grew up and was proud of all his children and later in life his grandchildren, who he loved dearly. Wade especially liked to spend time with all his cousins and friends he made throughout his life. He enjoyed reminiscing about things as he would say, "back in the day" or "those were the good ole days". He always had a positive attitude, constantly joked around and loved to laugh and tease the kids and grandchildren. Wade had a loving connection with his grandson & granddaughter, Kaleb & Khloe Nestell, and truly loved all his children and grandchildren unconditionally. Wade also had a special connection with his aunt, Joyce Thomas whom he called his special mom. Wade was a loving son with a big heart, so caring and always willing to lend a helping hand to whoever asked of him. Wade will be missed dearly and made a profession of faith in his younger years. We will always cherish Wade in our hearts and leave him in God's hands.

Wade is survived by his loving family, his mother, Wanda Thomas; his father, Daniel Nestell; sister, Leigh Nestell; brother, Alton Nestell; sons, Taylor Kalin Nestell (Castle Fox) & children, Audreya (Diamond), Zaya, Thalaeya, & Amaris (AJ), Kalen Nestell & children, Kalen Jr., Kayden, Aiden, & Adrian Nestell, Kobe Nestell & children, Kaleb, Khloe, and Kataya Nestell, Kenyon Longie (Rustina Kennedy) & children, Karina & Serina Longie, Leyton Brown, Wade Nestell Jr.; his only daughter, Winona Nestell; his special aunts, Joyce Thomas, Anna Thomas and Cindy Thomas; uncle, Adrian Thomas Sr. and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and all his grandchildren who he had a special bond with.

Wade is preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Richard Sr. & Winifred Thomas; uncles, Mike Thomas, Richard Thomas Jr., Timothy Thomas, Casey Thomas, Milton Thomas Curtis Youngbear and Paul Yankton; aunts, Anne Rene Thomas, Cheryl Thomas, and Marylin Thomas, several beloved cousins, nephews, and nieces. Paternal grandparents, Stradford Nestell Sr. & Bernice P. Nestell of Anadarko, OK, and aunt, Ada Jo Nestell of Oklahoma City, OK.

A Special Thank You to the Spirit Lake Ambulance, medical staff of CHI St. Alexius, Evans Funeral Home, Devils Lake PD & Staff and Fort Totten PD & Staff.

In Loving Memory
Wade Kendal Nestell Sr.
Omani Wakan | "Walking Spirit"

If I Knew

Hold your loved ones close today, whisper in their ear, tell them that you love them hold them dear. For tomorrow is promised to no one, young and old. Today may be your last chance to hold your loved ones tight.

TODAY

My body is no longer sore, and I am tired.

TODAY is the day I suffer no more.

Do not worry for me, today worrying ends.

I live through the love of my family and love of my friends.

So, hold in your heart this memory of mine.

The rain will pass, and the sun will shine.

For this life that we live will surely fade,
with the problems we have faced and plans we made.

And when the gates of Heaven call,

Keep in mind; love survives us all.

Now that I am gone, remember me with smiles
and laughter, and if you need to cry, cry with your family
and friends who walk in grief beside you.

And when you need me, put your arms around anyone
and give to them what you need to give to me.

There are so many who need so much,
I want leave to leave you something –
something much better than words or sounds.

Look for me in the people I have known or
helped in any special way. Let me live in your heart
as well as your mind. You can love me most by
letting your love reach out to our loved ones,
by embracing them and living in their love.

Love does not die, people do.

So, when all that left of me is love,
give me away as best as you can.

Forever Loved and Forever In Our Hearts
Our Beloved Son, Father, Brother, Nephew, Uncle,
Grandpa, Cousin, and Dear Friend To Many

Wade Kendal Nestell Sr.

July 25, 1979 – Devils Lake, ND

January 12, 2024 – Fort Totten, ND

VISITATION

Friday, January 19, 2024

10:00AM - 1:00PM

Crow Hill Rec. Center, Crow Hill, ND

OFFICIANT

Pastor Jim Harris

MUSIC

All Drummers & Singers Are Welcome

CASKET BEARERS

Dequan Keo (walks in front of the casket)

Chad Keo Sr. ~ Martin Whitetail Jr. ~ Arnell Nestell ~ Jore Thomas

Kobe Nestell ~ Jim Brown ~ Allen Demarce ~ Tyson Whitetail

Daniel Nestell (walks at the foot of the casket)

HONORARY BEARERS

Cynthia Thomas, Gloria Buckelk & Family, Ester Hapa & Family, Clara Brown & Family, Pat Walkingeagle & Family, McDonald Family, Carolyn & Kermit WalkingEagle & Family, Chaske Family, Charlene Jetty & Family, Donna Jackson & Family, Jean Cavanaugh & Family, Luwonna Cavanaugh & Family, Littlewind Family, Catherine Howard & Family, Ivan & Nettie & Family, Anita Cavanaugh & Family, Warren & Geraldine Buckelk, Alton & Chanoa Nestell & Family, Vanessa & Royce McKay & Family, Candida Thomas & Family, Adrienne Thomas-Paul & Family, Jerilyn & Casey & Family, Kirsta Jackson & Family, Norma Thomas & Family, Dennis Keo & Family, Clint & Cecilia Keo & Family, Londa Keo & Family, Mitch Keo & Family, Charris (he calls sis) Thomas & Family, John Thomas & Family, Greybear & Family, Mudgett & Family, Robert Buckelk & Family, Louis Buckelk & Family, Bruce & Penny Walkingeagle & Family, Rebecca Twohearts & Family, Tyler Twohearts & Family, Vincent Thomas & Family, Roberta Brown, Lorenda Twohearts, Jonelle Walkingeagle, Renita & Bud Shaw & Family, Kayla & Jeremy Rainbow & Family, Tioga Whitetail, Megan Whitetail, Marilyn Whitetail, Cierra & Tierra Scott, McKenzie Scott, Martina Whitetail, Randy Pearson, Sean Lawrence, Valentina Martin, Melvin, Loren, Myron Greybear & Families, Benny & Rose Mudgett & Families, Garrett (GOPH) Mudgett, Bernard Mudgett, Barry Mudgett, Branden Thomas & Family, Alison Shaw, Bonnie & Monte Herman & Family, Roseanne Redroad, Shirlene Feather, Megan Redfox, Amanda & Clarissa Jackson, Star Hunt, Crystal White, Chico Diaz & Family, Duane Littlewind, Roger McKay JR, Patrick (PAT) McKay, Daniel (Baby Dan) Cavanaugh, Rocky Littlewind, Amy Belgarde, Tyson Sherman & Family, Derrick & Gerrick Mini, Sean Lambert, Nathaniel Dubois, Mark Lufkins Jr., and Amanda Joshua & Family, Natisha Littlewind & Family, Connie & Ronnie McKay, Danisha St. Pierre, Darcy Longie & Family, Wayne Chaske, Patty Kraft & Family. If there is anyone we left out, it is not intentional, and we apologize during this difficult time of sorrow and bereavement.

BURIAL

St. Jerome's Catholic Cemetery, Fort Totten, ND in the spring

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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