



Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder why I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?

Oh! but Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still;
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth--
You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!



In Loving Memory of

Clifford Duane Demery Sr.

April 15, 1943

Belcourt, North Dakota

October 2, 2015

Cottonwood Creek, South Dakota

WAKE SERVICE: 7:00 p.m., Sunday, October 11, 2015

Cherry Creek Gym ~ Cherry Creek, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE: 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 12, 2015

Cherry Creek Gym ~ Cherry Creek, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Rev. Mike Kills Pretty Enemy & Pastor Merle Beachy

CASKETBEARERS: Daniel Hayes Sr., Clifford Demery Jr., Willard Demery,
Frenchy Demery, Theophile Taken Alive, Jason White Horse, Lalo Ciseneros,
Raul Ciseneros, Sonny Ciseneros, and Rico Placencia

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS: Gilbert Lind, Alex Thompson, Steven Little
Shield, Wayne Lovelette, Roland Roach, Russel Benoist, Marlon Miner, Wendell White
Mag Pie Sr., Edward "Beaver" Widow, Tom Rose, Russ Stankey, Margie Briggs,
Eddie Briggs, Cole Briggs, Todd Mortenson, Kurt Mortenson, Lance Lesmeister,
Murphy Runs After, Jim Light Field, Sylvan White Wolf, Mathew Iron Hawk, Clement
Long, David Bald Eagle Sr., Shorty Condon, Michael Condon Sr., Everette Condon,
Audrey Traversie, Marilyn Runs After, June Hollow Horn, Marian Romero and
Family, Rose Romero, Mabel Romero, Edna and Raven Thompson, Georgette Knife,
Bill and Ophelia Dupris, Nola and Troy Straight Head, Sam and Raylene, Keith and
Delores Curley and Family, William Good Eagle Jr., Justin Romero, Clifton Brown
Thunder, Franklin Bear Running, Delane No Horse, Joseph Brings Plenty Sr., Abe
Kasto, Zigmund Hollow Horn, Moreno Waloke, Sylvester and Dena Waloke, Clark and
Maggie Iron Hawk, The Little Shield Families, Sylvan and Kyra Long Break, Linda
Marrow Bone, Marilyn Martin and Family, Buddy and Dolly Jo Knife and Family,
Beatrice Charging Eagle, Raymond Uses Knife, Susan Baker, Judy Standing Crow,
Jewel Bruner, Benita Clark, Chairman Harold Frazier, Marian Bagola and Family,
Shantona and Garland and Family, Darlene and Family, Alberta Brown Thunder,
Tammy Demery Garreau, Hildrad Waloke, Tammy Waloke, Valtina and June Little
Shield, April and Dana and Family, Mona Demery and all relatives,
too numerous to mention! You are not forgotten.

THE BRANDING CREW: David Crow Ghost Sr., Rodney Hayes, Ira Hayes,
Willis Hayes, Corey Condon, Tiger Condon, Kaleb Hollow Horn, Raphael Two Dogs,
Ralph Walking Eagle Jr., Shilo Charging Cloud, Mark Fire Cloud, Teno Bear Stops,
Eric Kills Crow, Richard Hale Jr. and Richard Charging Cloud

MUSICIANS: All are Welcome

INTERMENT: Big Cottonwood Family Cemetery
Cottonwood Creek, South Dakota



Eagle Butte, South Dakota
www.familyfuneralhome.net



Clifford Duane Demery, Sr., was born April 15, 1943 to Elizabeth Haul Demery and Ervin Demery Black Cloud at Belcourt, ND. When he was 3 months old he lost his mother, so Olive One Skunk Black and Jim Black adopted and raised him in Cherry Creek, SD. Clifford's father Ervin, later died.

Clifford attended Cherry Creek Day School and later Old Agency Boarding School where he played football. Clifford has two daughters with Pauline Eagle Chasing, Dee Ann Marsha Demery and Delema Demery; granddaughter, Nichole and great granddaughter of Cherry Creek; grandson, Kurt and grandchildren of Eagle Butte.

Clifford met and married Madonna Swan. Together they had four children: Bernice and grandsons, Lalo, Raul,

Sonny and Rico and great grandchildren of Orem, UT; Mina (Richardo) and granddaughters, Rainey and Brittney and great grandkids all of Am. Fork, UT; Desiree and grandkids of Provo, UT and Clifford Jr. (Norma) and grandkids of Seattle, WA.

In 1976 Clifford was united in marriage to Arlene Waloke and had three children: Patrichia (Dave) and grandsons, Chubs, Dave Jr., Dallen, Kyson, Kalzin and Zody of Cherry Creek; Willard (Angelic) and Family of Big Cottonwood Creek; Frenchy (Kirstyn) and family of Big Cottonwood Creek; adopted sons: Lynus N. Hayes and granddaughters, Brazy and Emmy; Clifford also gained five step grandchildren: LaVay Hayes, grandchildren and great grandchildren of Cherry Creek; Sharon Hayes and grandsons of Cherry Creek; Darla Hayes, Vanessa Hayes and sons of Pierre; Daniel Hayes and family of Cottonwood and Hunka (Cindy) Smith and family of Sturgis.

Clifford attended the Police Academy in Pierre and achieved his GED and became an officer for the Cheyenne River Law Enforcement for 20 years. He also worked as Chief of Police for the City of Eagle Butte and retired then after. Clifford and Arlene moved back to Cherry Creek in 1980 and opened a pool hall to keep children from illegal activities. All proceeds from the pool hall went to honoring the elders of CRST, the Akicita Military and all graduates in the education system. Unfortunately the pool hall burned to the ground in 1994 and the honoring stopped.

Clifford also worked with the tribe and the TWEP program and created a job site called the Cherry Creek Wood Project. They cut, chopped and hauled wood to all who heated their homes with firewood on the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation. Clifford has been given a day of honoring from the CRST, on November 5, in recognition for his humble acts in helping others young and old. He was a good example to many who knew him.

Clifford and Arlene moved to Big Cottonwood, 7 ½ miles NE of Cherry Creek in 1998, where they made their home. Clifford enjoyed the company of all his grandchildren whom he treated all equally. He was very thankful for all his kids and grandkids. He loved to tease them and make them laugh. Clifford loved the country and cowboy life at Big Cottonwood; where he dreamed big and everyone played a part in making it happen.

Thank you for Clifford. You are deeply missed and forever in our thoughts and prayers. "Forever in our hearts"

Clifford was preceded in death by his paternal parents: Ervin Demery Black Cloud and Elizabeth Haul Demery; his adopted parents: Olive One Skunk Black and Jim Black; brothers: Tex One Skunk and Levi Runs After; sisters: Hazel Marrow Bone and Belva Romero; daughters: DeeAnn Demery and Delema Demery Eagle Chasing; grandsons: Dave Crow Ghost Jr. and Chastyn Demery.

Clifford is joined in heaven with all our Tiospaye.

In Loving Memory



Clifford D. Demery Sr.
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