

In Loving Memory

Ian A. Lightfoot

Mato Ohitilla **“Brave Bear”**

July 22, 1988

Pierre, South Dakota

January 10, 2024

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

WAKE SERVICE: 6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 18, 2024
Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Red Scaffold, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE: 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 19, 2024
Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Red Scaffold, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. John Paul Trask

TRADITIONAL SERVICES: Vernel Sitting Crow

CASKET BEARERS:

Ree Red Horse, Brady Bear Stops,
Troy Sitting Crow, Justin Sitting Crow,
Thomas Black Moon, Willis Black Moon, Angelina Enos,
Duane White Calf, and Trevor Enos

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:

Lena Sitting Crow and family, Iaree Sitting Crow and family,
Daytona Waloke, James Bear Stops and family, Teno Bear Stops
and family, Norma Black Moon and family, Devina Red Horse and
family, Marlene Bear Stops and family, David Black Moon,

Danielle, Trevin, Antoinette Antonio, Gillis Bear Stops,
Breanna Fast Horse, Rochelle Lovato, Amora JoJala, Enola Ford,
Pete Bear Stops Jr., Rae Bear Stops, Emily Black Moon and family,

Justin Black Moon, Ted Jr. and Dolly Knife, Dean Dupris,
special friends: Wambli Black Lance, Duane White Calf,

Jerome Rouse, Brandi Clairmont, Derek Ten Fingers,
CJ High Pipe, Julian and Zach Yellow Boy, Trent Pickerson,
Latisha American Horse, Tiny Ashmore, Farron American Horse,

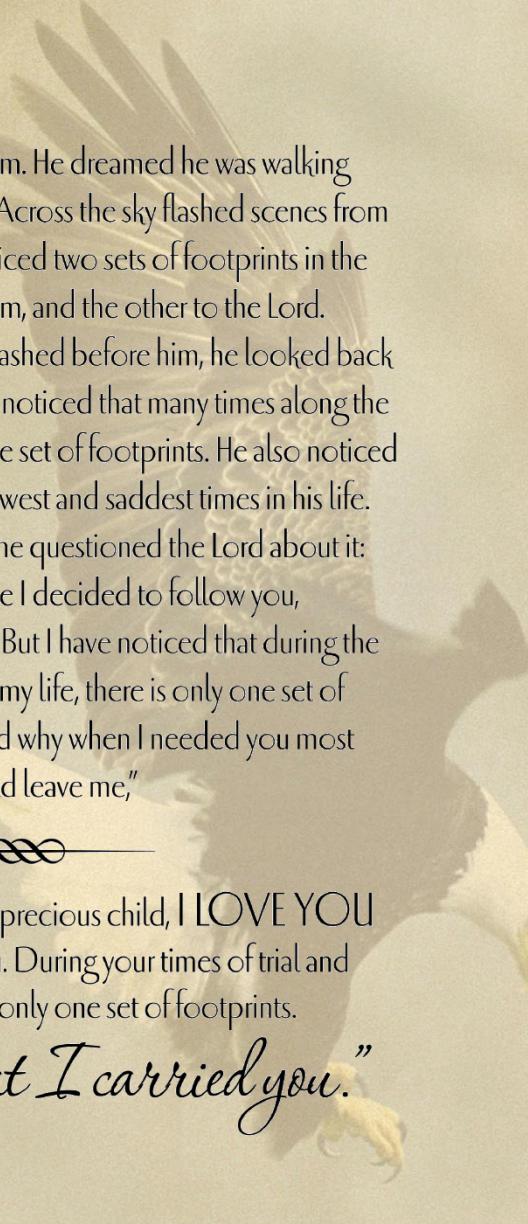
Sam Nelson, Tony Vocu, and Echo Red Horse

The family apologizes if they forgot anyone's name.

MUSIC: All Musicians and Singers Welcome

INTERMENT:

Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery ~ Red Scaffold, South Dakota



One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

“Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me.”



The Lord replied, “My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

It was then that I carried you.”

Ian A. "Mato" Lightfoot, 35, of Rapid City, entered the spirit world on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, in Sioux Falls.

Ian was born on July 22, 1988, in Pierre, SD. He was named "Mato Ohitilla" meaning Brave Bear. He went to North Junior High and Stevens High School in Rapid City, SD. Ian often worked as a prep cook at fast food restaurants. He loved hanging out with his kids and attending cook outs. He also spent eight years in Sioux Falls helping to care for his mom.

Ian is survived by his children: Lyra (Wubby) Lightfoot of Sioux Falls, SD, Aryl (Cubby) Lightfoot of Sioux Falls, SD, Ian Lightfoot II of Billings, MT, Weston Lightfoot of Billings, MT, Laiel Lightfoot of Billings, MT, and Layla Lightfoot of Billings, MT; his children's mother, Mildred Iron; his mother, Geraldine Bear Stops of Sioux Falls, SD; sister, Devona Bear Stops of Sioux Falls, SD; brothers: Jaydee (Darshane) Bear Stops of Rapid City, SD and Bradley Lightfoot of Yankton, SD.

Ian is preceded in death by his grandparents: Pete Bear Stops, Vern and Mary Jane Red Horse, Romanus Bear Stops; aunt, Gloria Sitting Crow; cousins: Wilfred Antonio, Mary Dupris, Charon Sitting Crow, Lola and Amber Bear Stops; and friend, Luke Ashmore.

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