



### To Those I Love And Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go,  
I have many things to see and do  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears.  
Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave to you my love. You can only guess  
How much you gave me in happiness  
I thank you for the love you each have shown  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must;  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a time that we must part,  
So bless the memories that lie within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on.  
So if you need me call and I will come  
Though you can't see me or touch me I'll be near.  
And if you listen with your heart you will hear  
All of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you come this way alone....  
I'll greet you with a smile and say  
"WELCOME HOME"



*I am the resurrection, and the life.  
He that believeth in Me,  
Though he were dead, yet shall he live.  
And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me  
Shall never die. John 11:25-26*



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## IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARLEM WILLIAM DUPRIS

July 14, 1953  
Cherry Creek, South Dakota



April 23, 2024  
Rapid City, South Dakota

**WAKE SERVICE:** 7:00 p.m., Sunday, May 5, 2024  
Cherry Creek Gym ~ Cherry Creek, South Dakota

**FUNERAL SERVICE:** 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 6, 2024  
Cherry Creek Gym ~ Cherry Creek, South Dakota

**OFFICIATING:** Father Francis Nwakile and Keith Curley

**CASKET BEARERS:** Theryn Big Eagle, Damion Yellow Owl, Carlos Kotlarz,  
Ryan MarrowBone, Craig Dupris, Treayn Charging Cloud,  
Derek Yellow Owl, Sr., Derek Yellow Owl, Jr., Jacob Fire Cloud,  
Tommy Tomko, Draidyn Yellow Owl, Braden Dupris

**HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:** Anibal Cruze, Leroy & Mavin Sanchez, Lloyd "Hap"  
Marshall, Arbana Thompson & Family, Galen & Sharon Means, Marsha LeBeau,  
John & Karmen Kessler, Russ Payne, Kathleen Eagle Chasing & Grandkids, Katie  
Dupris, Iris Eagle Chasing, Kendra Counting & Family, Braden & King Dupris,  
Nicole Eagle Chasing & Girls, Branden Dupris & Children, Kenita Counting &  
Family, Melaine Tomko & Family, Marlan Yellow Owl, Mary Martin, Vivian High  
Elk, Harvey Eagle Horse, Burtis White Wolf, Sr., Kelsie Counting, Jessie Larrabee,  
Calvin Red Elk, Sr., Ernest Red Elk, Joe Condon, Doug & Bernita Dupris, Roddy  
Moran, Kenric Dupris, Lillian White Wolf, Diane Pretty Weasel, Gerald High Elk,  
Angel Cooper, Verlyn Fast Horse, Keith & Delores Curley, Danny Hayes, Frenchy  
Demery, Arlene Demery, D'Ann Eagle Chasing & Family, Kate Condon & Family,  
Dave Dennis, Filipino Teachers from Takini, Russell Benoist, Michelle Benoist, Deb  
Knight, Eugene Martin, Mavis Reindl, Dana LaClaire, Sylvester Waloke, Corliss  
Larrabee, Irini Iron Hawk, Alikia Belt, Kolton Swan, Bonnie Belt & Family, Buddy  
Knife, Bob Walters, Shilo Charging Cloud, Tvana Anderson & Kids, Kim White  
Wolf, Roger & Mona Rae Lawrence, Dean Dupris, Deloria Straight Head, Kara  
Dupris, Angelina Enos, Dale Charging Cloud, John Afraid of Hawk, June Hollow  
Horn, Myron Dupris, Carla Veaux & Family, Harold & Edna Tyndall & Family,  
Dewey Marrow Bone, Justin Romero, Charla Straight Head, Yvonne Dupris,  
High Elk Family from Green Grass, Laniah Red Horse, Kym Louis, Francine Hall,  
Melissa LeBeau, Wounded Knee Memorial Motorcycle Riders,  
Monument Health ICU & Cardiology Staff, IHS Staff, CRST Support Services  
\*Our apologies if we omitted anyone as Billy had numerous friends and relatives.

**MUSIC:** Hin Han Zi Drum Group and All Musicians and Singers Welcome  
Favorite Hymn: Lakota Hymn #75 "What a Day That Will Be"  
All Elvis Presley's Songs

**INTERMENT:** ATT Cemetery ~ Cherry Creek, South Dakota

**Marlem Dupris**, 70, of Cherry Creek, passed away Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at Monument Health, Rapid City.

Marlem William Dupris "Billy" was born July 14, 1953, in Cherry Creek, SD to Millard and Rosalie (Straight Head) Dupris. He attended grade school at Cherry Creek Day School and later Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School, where he played football.

Throughout his life Billy worked for Sioux Stone Craft Industries, the TWEPP program, as a ranch hand, maintenance with Cheyenne River Housing Authority and Takini School, and for the Ziebach County Road Department. He was also certified as an EMT.

When Billy was younger, he enjoyed riding horses and motorcycles. As time went on, he enjoyed in his spare time: hunting, fishing, making mini saddles, playing horseshoes and softball. He was an avid trapper who was published in the Fur, Fish, and Game magazine, issue September 2001 with the bobcat he trapped. Billy also enjoyed watching "History's Greatest Mysteries". He was Jackie Bird's biggest fan as well as Elvis Presley's, as he could sing just like him.

Billy served as chairman of the Tri-Community Development Board. He loved to harvest, braid timsila, make bapa for his wife, and was known as the best outside soup maker. He loved to tease, joke around with everyone, and could make friends with complete strangers simply by striking up a conversation. Billy always prayed the Lord's Prayer with his family and made sure to pray before each meal. His all-time favorite football teams were the Green Bay Packers and the Denver Broncos.

Billy is survived by the love of his life, Ophelia of forty four years; his children: Tera Dupris of Pierre, Derek Yellow Owl Sr. (Ladylee) of Takini, Yvette Dupris (Jacob Fire Cloud) of Cherry Creek, Megan Dupris of Cherry Creek, Shawna Franco (Carlos) of Cherry Creek; 22 grandkids; eight great grandkids; and three more great grandkids on the way; brothers: Audie and Joseph (Dungee) Dupris, both of Cherry Creek; sisters: Victoria and Sharon Dupris, both of Cherry Creek; and numerous nieces, nephews, and a special god-daughter Kelsie Counting.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Millard and Rosalie Straight Head Dupris; brothers: Maynard and Brian Dupris; sister, Margaret Ann Cruze; aunts: Victoria LaClaire, Angeline Afraid of Hawk, and Doris Ward; uncle, Francis "Tuffy" Straight Head; granddaughter, Heavenly Angel Charging Cloud; and nephews: Morgan and Miguel Mexican.

**IN LOVING MEMORY**



**MARLEM W. "BILLY" DUPRIS**

**1953-2024**

