

THE FAMILY CHAIN

If Love could have saved you –
You would not have died.
If tears could bring you back
You'd be by our side.

It broke our heart to lose you,
But you did not go alone;
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

God takes us one by one
And breaks the family chain.
But somewhere in a better land
Our chain will link again.

Arrangements Entrusted To
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In Loving Memory
1964 - 2025



Milton James Jeffries
Charging First (Thokáheya Watákpe)



Milton James Jeffries age 61 born July 17, 1964, out of Deadwood SD. Born to Corrine White Weasel-Janis and Frank Jeffries Milton made his journey to the spirit world July 25, 2025, near Bismarck ND.

Milton is survived by brothers: Mahlon Jeffries and Waylon Jeffries; sisters:

Cathy Jeffries, Karen Jeffries (Ken Birkland,) Della Jeffries (Cyril Martinmaas), Debbie Jeffries, Lonnie Jeffries (Michael Ball), Raylene Marshall (Hunka sister); kids: Amanda Lebeau-Lewis, Thane Jeffries, Austin Jeffries, Nikki Jeffries, and Clay Jeffries; and grandchildren.

Milton grew up in Dupree, SD, and graduated from Eagle Butte, SD. He enjoyed playing sports throughout his life. Basketball, softball, horseshoes, corn hole, and darts. Also, he loved to fish and hunt. He was good at almost everything he did. Traveled everywhere for all the sports he enjoyed. He won a lot of awards throughout his life doing what he loved.

He was a tribal program director for many years, he was a valued heavyequipment operator for the government who assisted in maintaining many miles of tribal roadways, he played softball for many seasons with the team Prairie Phoenix which won many championships. In the year 2000 he was a SD State Dart Team Champion in the A division.

Milton was preceded in death by his mother, Corrine White Weasel-Janis; father, Frank Jeffries; grandparents: Oscar and Ester (Ward) White Weasel, Mahlon Oscar Jeffries. Jenny (Drury) Jeffries; Uncles: Timothy White Weasel and Louie White Weasel; nephews: Kyle Jeffries, Wade Jeffries, Quentin Lecompte, and Kelly Gene Clown.

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July 17, 1964 July 25, 2025
Deadwood, South Dakota Hurdsfield, North Dakota

Wake Services: 7:00 p.m., Sunday, August 3, 2025
CEB Auditorium - Eagle Butte, South Dakota

Funeral Service: 10:00 a.m., Monday, August 4, 2025
CEB Auditorium - Eagle Butte, South Dakota

Officiating: Arvol Looking Horse & Hoksila White Mountain

Drum Group: Voice in the Wind

Casketbearers: Ty Jeffries, Layton Bald Eagle, Cody Birkland, Brady Birkland, Chris Jeffries, Conroy Clown, Tallon Lebeau, Kalen Jeffries, Bradley Jeffries, Brandon Jeffries

Honorary Casketbearers: Tom Wishard Jr., Thomas Three Legs & Family, Reggie LeClaire & Family, Marty Ward, Terry Halfred & Family, Kiel Lemke & Family, Rhonda Tall Man & Family, Arlen & Glenn Lee, Roland Roach Sr Family, Shawn Bianas, Amiel Talks Sr, Carlin Clown Jr, Faron High Bear, Sheldon In The Woods, Bentley In The Woods, Jacob Anderson, Rolyynn Clown, Dez Clown, Louis Janis, John Nelson, Steve Vance & Family, Jim Wike, Earl Peneaux Sr, Earl Peneaux Jr, Joseph & Lila Broken Rope, June High Elk, Marisa Laundreaux, Gage Jewett, Tom Hawk Eagle, Scott Laundreaux, Tommy Jo Hawk Eagle, Louie Hawk Eagle, Slim Good Low, Cap Pearman, Leo Bowman, Jerry Taylor & Family, Jason Dolphus, Laurel LeBeau, Barend LeBeau, Callie Dupris, Gerlad "Sonny" Dupris, Cody Dog Eagle, Cole White Wolf, Jade White Wolf, Efton Dog Eagle, Ken White Lightening, Dave Sherman, BJ Robertson, Victory Jackson, Kyle Iron Hawk, Todd White, Carla Brave, Paulette Steel & Family, Brad Clown, Bob Steel, Jay Bear Killer, Cole Pearson, Gerald High Elk, Betsy Mitchell & Sisters, John Pesicka & Family, Russel Benoist Family, Iron Hawk Family, George Hand Boy, Terrance Circle Bear, Murphy Herrera, Willy Charging Cloud, Wayne Kills Enemy, Dugan Bad Warrior, Jeremy Houston, Tracy Lawrence, Richard Red Shirt, Melvin Simon, Patrick David & Family, Dugan Buffalo, Jerry Taylor, All Horseshoe Players, All Cornhole Players, All Dart Players, and All Softball Players

Burial: Eagle Butte Cemetery
Eagle Butte, South Dakota