



Scripture says "There is a time
to be born and a time to die".
And when it is my time to die,
angels will be there to comfort me.
He will give me peace and
joy even at that most critical hour,
and usher me into the presence of God.
And I will dwell with the LORD forever.
Thank God for the ministry
of His blessed angels.

By: Cecilia Medicine Cedar



Jesus looked at them and said,
"With man this is impossible,
but with God all things are possible"

-Matthew 19:26



Karen June Thompson
January 7, 1953 - February 16, 2020

Karen June Medicine Cedar was born on January 7th, 1953 to Chief William Schweigman and Cecelia Medicine Cedar in Chamberlain, South Dakota. Karen attended school in Fort Thompson Elementary, Gann Valley and Immaculate Conception, in Stephan, South Dakota. She then went on to pursue a degree in Police Science at United Sioux Tribes in Bismarck, North Dakota. After graduating she returned to work for the Fort Thompson Police Department as a police officer and then later took a position there as the radio dispatcher for many years. She worked for the courthouse as Clerk of Courts and for the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe as the T. W. E. P. T. Director. Her retirement was due to illness.

Karen met and married Harold Wayne Thompson on August 31, 1971 to this union five children were born: Karrie Ann, Thomas Wayne, Kevin Todd, Karlene Denise and John Wayne.

Karen's love for the Lord, God led her to Ellendale, North Dakota where she attended Trinity Bible College. Then to the Central Dakota Bible College in Mobridge. Karen attended classes for three years to become a Catholic Lay Minister. She was most proud of this accomplishment. She also accepted her traditional ways and became a traditional dancer which she enjoyed.

Karen was a dedicated and devoted mother, grandmother and great grandmother who spent much of her time supporting, encouraging, instructing, protecting and challenging all her children and family. Karen was known for always being there to help a person, whether it was a meal, place to stay or being that shoulder to cry on. She was a person who would listen and always offer advice. She never let you leave without saying a prayer for you.

She loved music of all kinds, her Pepsi and having a good cigarette.

Karen had been raising her son, Kevin's daughters since his passing in 2015. She mourned for him and missed him dearly. After becoming seriously ill, it was her two special granddaughters, Karin Lee and Mary Elsa, who took care of her and became her primary caretakers.

She leaves behind her children: Karrie (Wally), Thomas (Donelle), Karlene (Keith), and John (Judy); special sons: Denver Bud and Erik Hislaw; God children: Terrace Blaine, John Walking Bull, and Garrett Hawk; eighteen grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Preceding her in death are older brothers and sisters; mother, Cecilia Medicine Cedar; father; William Schweigman; son, Kevin; grandson, Noah Thompson; sisters: Valerie, Delores, Linda and Ramona; and brother, Isadore.

Wake Services:

7:00 p.m., Saturday, February 22, 2020
Sunday, February 23, 2020
St. Joseph Catholic Church
Fort Thompson, South Dakota

Funeral Mass:

10:00 a.m., Monday, February 24, 2020
St. Joseph Catholic Church
Fort Thompson, South Dakota

Casketbearers:

John Thompson, Sr. - Denver Bud Thompson - Erik Hislaw
Wally Donner, Jr. - Keith Heth, Jr. - Jonathan Thompson
Thomas Thompson, Jr. - Anthony Thompson
Keith Heth III - Reign Thompson

Honorary Casketbearers:

Hattie & Wally Thigh - Kim & Chris Bearface
Lawrence & Clarice Wind - Wanda Blaine - Viola Jenesse
Marcella Dion - Enore Marles - Audrey Jones - Dana McBride
Lana Drapeau - Belinda Jo - Tammy Wind - Sister Charles Palm
Steve McLaughlin - Ted Metcalf - Mary St. John - Enola big Eagle
Leanne Eagleman - Donelle Thompson - Germaine Wilson - Melody
Head - Dorthy Farmer - Bobbi Spider - Windy Johnson - Leatha
Loudner - Lenore Locke - Carole Wind - Marie Touche
Lynn McBride - Mona Rencamtra - Orla Flute - Regina Big Eagle
Richard Fleury - Terri Lynn Johnson - Lynn Harrison
Carl Miller - Debbie Attikai - Tammy Whitehat - Winona Sully
Delbert Comes Flying - Delight Whitelight - Brandon Grey Owl
Germain Demery - Cora Weiand - Shannon Smith
Clark & Pauline Zephier - Sharon & Gordie Bagola
Tristan Big Eagle - Carla Pickner - Angela Long Crow
All her friends and family

Interment:

Immaculate Conception Cemetery
Stephan, South Dakota