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2025 Kiowa Gourd Clan Celebration

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**The Kiowa Tribe News is a monthly
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on the Kiowa Tribe Website.
The deadline to submit articles
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August 8, 2025

**Articles can be submitted via email to
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Grand Opening of Elk Creek Kiowa Casino



Elk Creek Kiowa Casino in Hobart hosted a pre-opening for Kiowa Tribal members on Monday, July 21. Attendees were given a tote bag and tumbler, along with a raffle ticket for door prizes. Kiowa Tribal members were also given twenty dollars of free play once they showed their CDIB at the counter. A selection of light refreshments were also set up at the bar where guests could help themselves. Everyone who attended was also given a free meal from the Boom-a-rang Diner which is located inside of the casino and owned by the Tribe. A ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening was held on Wednesday, July 23.





Gouge Receives Kiowa Princess Title



Tegan Lutie Janae Gouge was crowned as the new Kiowa Tribal Princess on July 17, 2025. She is the 16-year-old daughter of David and Leah (Lucero) Gouge, her brothers are Jude and Bowie. Paternal grandparents are Donald and the late Lynn Gouge; maternal grandparents are Joe “Hobay” Lucero and Jonnie Hopkins Lucero. Lutie Sue Ahgroom Gouge, Thompson Gouge, artist and professor Jesus B. Lucero Sr., Darlene Hovakah Wolf, John Hopkins Jr., and Margaret Rose Modeadlemah Botone are her great grandparents.

Tegan is a descendant of Dewey Ahgroom, Rev. William Hovakah Wolf, Mamie Sophia (Tsoodle) Wolf, Edith “Elsie” Ahdokobo, Arthur Mobeaddlemah, and Lizzie Asah. She is a direct descendant of Lillian Goombi, Millie Durgan, Han goo pah, Jack “Hobay” Hovakah Wolf (son of Audle-Ko-Ety and Pau Gui To), Tsoodle, Kau Tone Pah Hoodle, Set tainte, Red Tipi, Taim Ai Oi Day, Tanedooah, Tar So Ee, MoBeadleMah, Joshua Kaulait, Ah Ke Ah Quoe Quoot, Gilbert Ahdokobo, At Tone Ah, Tsatoke, Peat Mah, and Mattie Dain Quoodle Meahkah.

She will be junior this year at Anadarko High School where is a member of the Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society and National Honor Society. Tegan is also a part of the Anadarko High School Band as a trombonist and will serve as the brass section captain this upcoming school year. Tegan loves to sing in Kiowa with her fellow Kiowa Language classmates and enjoys to perform for Kiowa elders. She also achieved Superintendent’s Honor Roll and is one of the first students to complete [Gàui]dòn:gyà Phase I & II, Kiowa Language curriculum.

The gathering for the crowning ceremony included cedarizing for her and her family as well as the receiving of her Kiowa name. Kiowa Chairman, Lawrence SpottedBird, was the one to place an eagle feather on Tegan along with the first Kiowa Tribal Princess, Thomascina (Tsoodle) Leader, placing her banner upon her shoulder.

Tegan stated, “I will do everything I can to represent our people with the highest honor and respect, using what I was taught throughout my life from my elders, family, and past princesses.” She continued by saying she thanks Dàu:kí, God, for making her Kiowa and is honored to serve as the 2025-2027 Kiowa Tribal Princess.





ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT BACK-TO-SCHOOL ASSISTANCE

Parents & Caregivers of
KIOWA School-Age Children:

We have heard from many of you and we recognize how **essential** it is for children to begin a new school year, fully prepared and **equipped**. We know that back-to-school assistance is a basic service that tribal nations routinely and annually provide to families of **young and growing children**.

We want you to know that our K.E.A. Executive Director and all of our staff **advocate** for your **needs**, and in **cooperation** & full **support** from both the **Executive** and **Legislative** Branches, we are glad to announce that Back-to-School clothing cards have been ordered and will be issued in the month of August, 2025.

Many area schools begin as early as 8/7/25 so our hope is that school enrollment verification can be easily obtained, which is required. Applications will be available Monday, August 4th - 29th. Please be mindful that any services provided are not guaranteed in the next fiscal year and must be approved through the budget process. Services and amounts are based on limited funds and must account for the projected eligible population to be served as provided by the enrollment office. Amounts may be decreased to accommodate more applicants if necessary.



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Department Highlights



The 2025 Kiowa Gourd Clan Diabetes Walk was a huge success with over 400 participants. Kiowa Tribe Health Programs and Kiowa Tribe Child Care Program gave over 350 t-shirts with special visit from Segi and Tsi yee.

The amount of people who show up for the annual walk continue to increase every year. This year the t-shirts were designed by Ahnawake Toyekoyah. She expressed the inspiration for the artwork came from an article she read about Fred Tsoodle and how he preserved Kiowa Songs and revived the gourd dance. The elders of that time couldn't help but cry because of how much they missed hearing and seeing the Kiowa Gourd Dance. For many the design felt fitting, because this year the Kiowa Gourd Clan annual celebration was at the lower Carnegie Park; the place where it was held for many years till 2018, when the bridge on highway 58 was under construction. Seven years later, the KGC moved back to the park due to the current road construction at the Kiowa Dance Grounds. The return to the park felt more like a homecoming for some KGC members and their families.



The Kiowa Alcohol Drug Addiction Prevention (KADAP) was able to have their 2nd annual campsite at the Kiowa Gourd Clan Celebration. This year was the first year they were able to setup a tipi that was purchased to help with the culture connection to fight against addiction. KADAP Director, Charles Nestell, said, "I am honored and humbly grateful to help in this capacity in my community." Kiowa District 6 Legislator, Ben Wolf, made a special visit to the camp to show support and gave a prayer over the evening meal. The KADAP staff stated that they are very thankful for the support of the Kiowa Tribe lawmakers fore the betterment of the Tribe and said that it takes leadership to help KADAP do the work that needs to be done for the community.



Director: Karla Lewis

The Kiowa Tribe Re-Entry Program is committed to helping enrolled tribal members who are reentering the community after incarceration for a felony offense. We understand the challenges that come with starting over, especially when someone is rebuilding their life from the ground up, and often without a strong support system. Our goal is to meet individuals where they are and provide practical support during on the most critical periods of their lives.

In the previous fiscal year, the program assisted 85 tribal members with essential services that helped them take meaningful steps toward stability and self-sufficiency. This program exists because the need is real, and because we believe we believe that everyone deserves a second chance and opportunity to succeed.

Eligible applicants must be enrolled members of the Kiowa Tribe and have been released from incarceration for a felony offense within the last two years. There are no jurisdictional limitations.

Available assistance includes:

- Health and hygiene essentials
- Communication needs (e.g., phone, internet access, etc.)
- Clothing
- Utility support
- Rental assistance
- Driver's license reinstatement
- Up to three months of parole or probation fee assistance

The Kiowa Tribe Re-Entry Program is here to offer support when it's needed most. If you or someone you know may qualify, call (405)480-2764 or email klewis@kiowatribe.org to learn more about we can help.



RE - ENTRY CLIENT SPOTLIGHT



"Where do I even begin with how my life has been impacted by the Kiowa Tribe Re-Entry Program? They have helped me succeed far beyond my reach in so many ways. They helped me with clothing, financial stability, and household needs along with rebuilding my life. The Re-Entry Program guided me in the right direction, and by doing so, it has helped me with employment as well as reestablishing relationships with family, friends, and most importantly, my kids. I have so much to look forward to! I have found strength and motivation to stay on the path to success. I will forever be grateful to the Kiowa Tribe and their Re-Entry Program. Ah-ho"

-Laura Huntinghose

We proudly highlight a participant from the Kiowa Tribe Re-Entry Program who demonstrates the power of perseverance, community support, and positive change. These stories remind us why this work matters and how our people continue to rise, rebuild, and reclaim their futures.



Citizen Spotlight



Tribal member, Richelle Darby Garcia was recently nominated for the 2025 National Native American Music Awards (NAMA)! She and her daughter, Koreena, received recognition for their single 'Awaken Us Oh God' for best folk recording category. NAMA announced an official tiebreaker voting ballot on July 2, 2025. The organization stated that they believed it was only fair considering how close the total counts of votes were; NAMA received well over 10,000 public voting ballots in total this year. Garcia says, "We believe the nations are hearing these messages about forgiveness, reconciliation, and walking in oneness as Daw k'ee prayed for us."

Garcia is from the Doyebi family and is a descendant of Hunting Horse, Bigbow, and Tartsah.



Sumatie Ramnarine is a contestant on the show Press Your Luck twice this new season! She is from the Victor and Stella Rivera (Huntinghorse) family. Sumatie is also an R.N. and the current Director of Nursing at the Carnegie Nursing Home, and cares for several of our Kiowa elders who reside there. She grew up in Texas but has lived in Carnegie for 23 years to date. Sumatie stated, "God has been good to me and I give him glory for the experience." She went on saying how it was the royal treatment with an all expenses paid trip to Beverly Hills, California, to record. "It was a once...no two times in a lifetime opportunity." Her episode is scheduled to air Thursday, July 31, 2025.





The City of Hobart, Oklahoma and Hobart Public Schools recently recognized and honored the Kiowa Tribe for the service in repairing and paving their streets by the school. This was a much needed service for the community and they are very grateful to the Kiowa Tribe and Kiowa Transportation Department for their hard work and efforts. The roads will be ready just in time for the new school year to begin.



Kiowa Child Care School Age Program and KCC Kiowa Youth Employees attended the historic parade as the OKC Thunder celebrated the first ever NBA National Championship.



The Kiowa Youth attended the 2025 UNITY Conference and supported Codie Horse-Topetchy, who was inducted into the new class of UNITY Earth Ambassadors. The group also had the chance to meet model, Quannah Chasinghorse. Their sponsors expressed how proud they were of how the group represented the Kiowa Tribe so well.



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The American Indian exposition held annually in August at the Caddo county fairgrounds in Anadarko, Oklahoma, is one of the oldest, and largest travel gatherings in the United States.

In 1935 it was incorporated as the *American Indian Exposition* with the purpose of promoting and retaining Indian cultural life, hand made crafts, and the Native American Arts.

The Exposition features a full program of dance contest, parades, beautiful baby contest, sporting events- such as softball an art contest. The fairgrounds also provide camping accommodations for participants.

Visitors from all across the nation and abroad come to Anadarko each summer to witness the expos many events! Including visiting with Tribal Princess from all across Indian Country, and watching the dance presentations- competitions.

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Written by D. Hadley

On July 6, 2025, a group of Kiowa youth & veterans loaded into the tribal vans and departed from the Kiowa Complex in Carnegie, Oklahoma, to make their journey to the Teton and Yellowstone National Parks. The main focus of the trip was to reintroduce the ancient cultural landscape to the Kiowa youth and hopefully inspire the next generation to maintain tribal preservation.

The group of fifteen enjoyed various activities, including canoeing in String Lake; a river float on Snake River; and had the leisure to visit sacred sites at the Yellowstone National Park. Ms. Hill shared the Kiowa creation stories with the youth. She said, "...it was a dream come true to witness Kiowas reestablish their relationship with the land."

Combined with the many activities and site visits, a special trip was planned for the National Museum for Military Vehicles near Dubois, Wyoming. The new Poolaw Building had just opened and was named after the infamous Kiowa Warrior, Pascal Poolaw, who is also the most highly decorated Native Veteran in history. Kiowa Veterans, LaRue Gouladdle, Alan Hadley, and Jesse Hamilton, presented Poolaw's military biography and blessed the site along with the youth.

The Kiowa Tribe is believed to have originated in the Kootenay Region of British Columbia, Canada, before migrating into western Montana as recorded by archaeologists. Historically, the earliest written records indicate that the Kiowa were at the basin of the Missouri River, but migrated south of the Black Hills around 1650 where they lived among the Crow Tribe. Then in the late 1860s, the Kiowa Tribe became part of the Medicine Lodge Treaty and were assigned to a reservation in Oklahoma.

"We are mountain people with no mountains," joked the Kiowa Tribal Historical Preservation Officer (THPO), Amanda Hill, at the annual tribal consultation. That comment led to a conversation about a travel sponsorship through the Grand Teton National Park Foundation (GTNPF)..

Like most Indigenous communities, land is not just a physical place; it is an important connection to culture, language, spirituality, as much as their identity. GTNPF acknowledges this connection and is committed to further deep the relationships with tribes, while creating opportunities for the Native youth to experience their ancestral homelands. Thanks to their generous sponsorship, the Kiowa Tribe were able to succeed in their mission to revitalize and motivate the next generation.

Ms. Hill would like to extend a special 'thank you' to the GTNPF, Teton Science School for their wonderful hospitality and assistance throughout their stay; and to the Kiowa Education Agency for their collaborative efforts to support the program, and of course to the participants for their superb representation. The camp was a great success and an opportunity for another will be made available next year!





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Honoring The Warrior



Written by D. Hadley



He has followed the trails of the great chiefs. His people hold him in honor and highest esteem. He has given his life for the people and country he loves so much. — Mrs. Pascal Poolaw.

Pascal Cletus Poolaw Sr is a full-blooded Kiowa Warrior and is recognized as the most decorated Native American soldier in United States history. Located at the National Museum of Military Vehicles in Dubois, Wyoming, the newly opened Poolaw Building serves as a conference and event center with a restaurant and administrative offices. It is also part of the growing 140,000 square foot museum with a mission to honor the service and sacrifice of our veterans and their families, educating the next generations of the history of the American freedom as well as to preserve and share historic military vehicles. It currently houses 500 military vehicles and over 200 historically significant firearms.

Kiowa youth and veterans recently had the opportunity to visit the building and honor the memory of Pascal Poolaw in Dubois, Wyoming. It was especially important for the Kiowa Veterans Director, LaRue Gouladdle, that the youth present understand and hear about his selfless acts and how he sacrificed himself to his unit and soldiers, 'Sole Gaw'. She said, "He [Pascal C. Poolaw] is a true Kiowa warrior and we will always remember him."

Pascal C. Poolaw Sr was born on January 29, 1921. In 1942, he along with his father and two brothers entered the military during World War II. On

September 8, 1944, during the Battle of Normandy, his unit entered the village of Ricone, Belgium and found that they were surrounded by the enemy. While pushing forward and under heavy gun fire, Sgt. Poolaw exposed himself for nearly 5 minutes, throwing hand grenades and causing numerous casualties to the enemy, which caused the German to disperse. He received wounds but through his actions Pascal earned the silver star. His citation read "Sgt. Poolaw's actions, many of his comrade's lives were saved and his company was able to continue attack and capture strongly defended enemy positions. Sgt. Poolaw's display of courage, aggressive spirit and complete disregard for his personal safety is in keeping with the highest traditions of military service."

Sgt. Poolaw remained in the military after WWII, he was later deployed to Korea where he received a second silver star while serving with Company Charlie, 27th infantry regiment, 25th infantry division. On September 19, 1950, 1st Sgt. Poolaw's company was attacked on an enemy position and was halted. Sgt. Poolaw volunteered his squad courageously in an assault up a steep slope and engaged in numerical superior enemy force in a fierce hand to hand combat. His men held the slope, and he continued to inspire them to hold their position. Sgt. Poolaw's outstanding leadership reflects great credit on himself and the values of the American soldier.

While still serving as a soldier in Korea, Sgt. Poolaw received a 3rd silver star on April 4, 1951, on Chon Chon Ni, Korea. An attack on the strong hostile positions, one squad was immobilized by a devastating automatic weapon and motor barrage. Sgt. Poolaw exposed himself to enemy fire once again as he slowly advanced across open terrain, firing his weapon as he progressed forward. Such action allowed him to divert the enemy's attention upon himself, enabling his squad to maneuver to a more strategic position. These valorous actions were instrumental in the fulfillment of the unit's mission

Sgt. Poolaw then received a battlefield commission to 2nd Lieutenant.

Lt. Poolaw retired from the U.S. Army in 1962. Five years into retirement, his family was notified that his son, Pascal Jr., was wounded by a land mine in Vietnam on February 1967. Pascal Jr. right leg was amputated below the knee; meanwhile, his other son, Lindy, enlisted in the US Army was called for war. Lt. Poolaw then volunteered in his son's place for combat zone so that his sons would not know the horrors of war. All four of his sons served in the military at one or another. Based on army regulation, one family member at a time could serve in a war zone together. Lt. Poolaw enlisted; however, as army regulation, he could only serve as a non-commissioned officer.

At the age of 45, Poolaw entered the Vietnam conflict and was sent to combat on May 31, 1967. His unit was the 26th infantry regiment, Charlie company. He was boots on ground for four months when he was sent for a search and destroy mission near a village called Low Ni, Vietnam on November 7, 1967. The platoon was ambushed by an overwhelming Vietnam force, weapons used included mines, rockets, small arms, and automatic machine guns.

Lt. Poolaw maneuvered himself through a hail of bullets yet continued to lead the squad. He instructed his unit to lay down a base of fire and for them to proceed forward. Countless lives were saved; though wounded, Lt. Poolaw carried many soldiers to safety. He was suddenly killed by a rocket propelled grenade that struck him while carrying a wounded soldier. The U.S. military awarded him another silver star and purple heart posthumously. On record, Pascal C. Poolaw has 4 silver stars with oak leaf clusters, 5 bronze stars, and 3 purple hearts — he was injured three different times in three during three different wars, receiving a total of 42 medals and 2 accommodations. Lt. Poolaw is buried at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.



Kiowa Veterans pictured L to R: Jesse Hamilton, LaRue Gouladdle, and Alan Hadley



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LAYERED ENCHILADA BAKE



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INGREDIENTS:

- 1+1 Tbsp olive oil
- ½ medium onion diced
- 12 cup mushroom chopped
- 1 can 15 oz. stewed OR diced tomatoes
- 1 can 15 oz. kidney beans or black beans, drained OR 1 ½ cups cooked beans
- 1 tsp chili powder
- ½ tsp garlic powder
- ½ tsp salt
- 8 corn tortillas
- 1 cup Monterey Jack cheese shredded
- Optional: ½ cup jalapeño chopped
- Optional: Add cooked shredded chicken or ground meat into the filling.

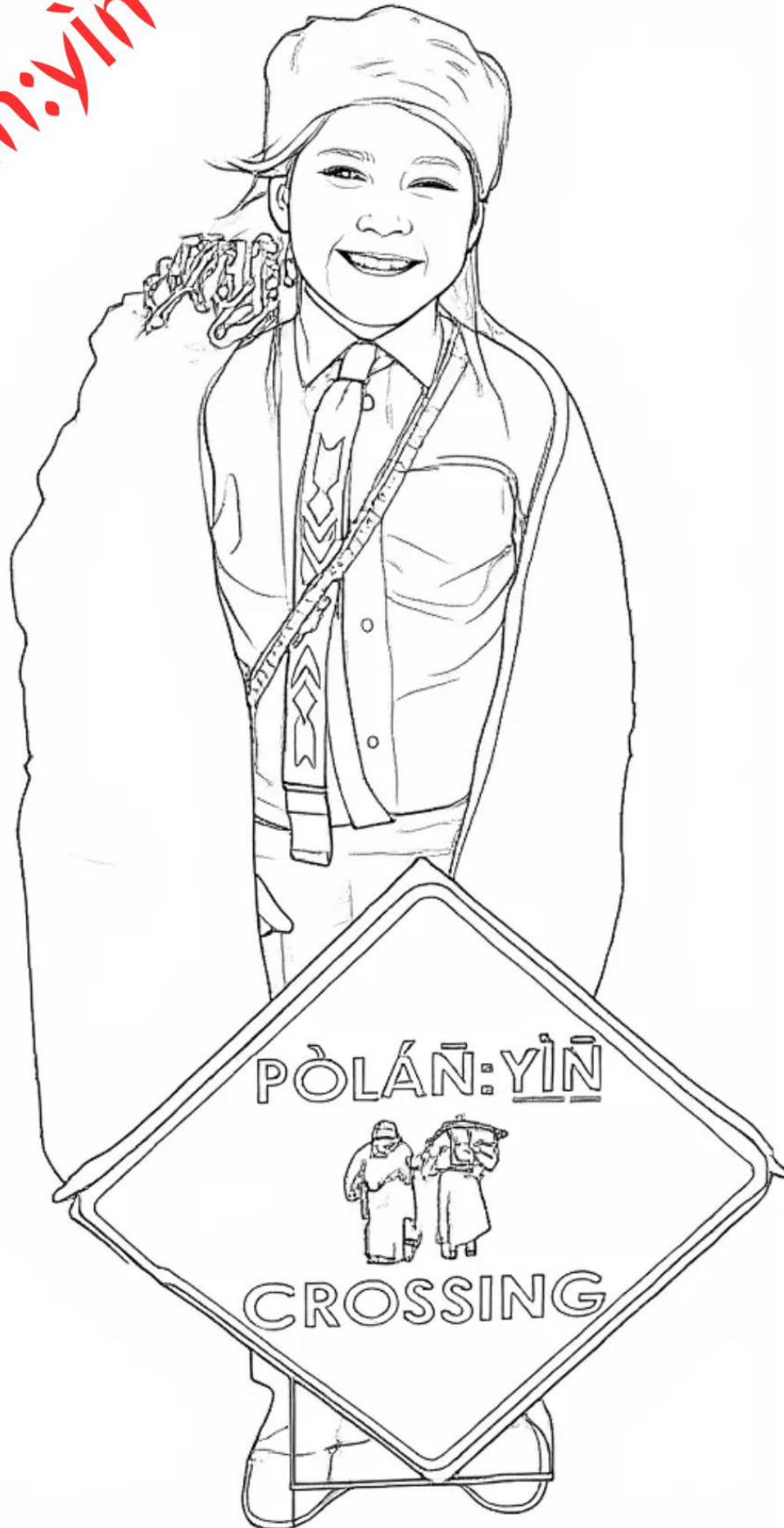


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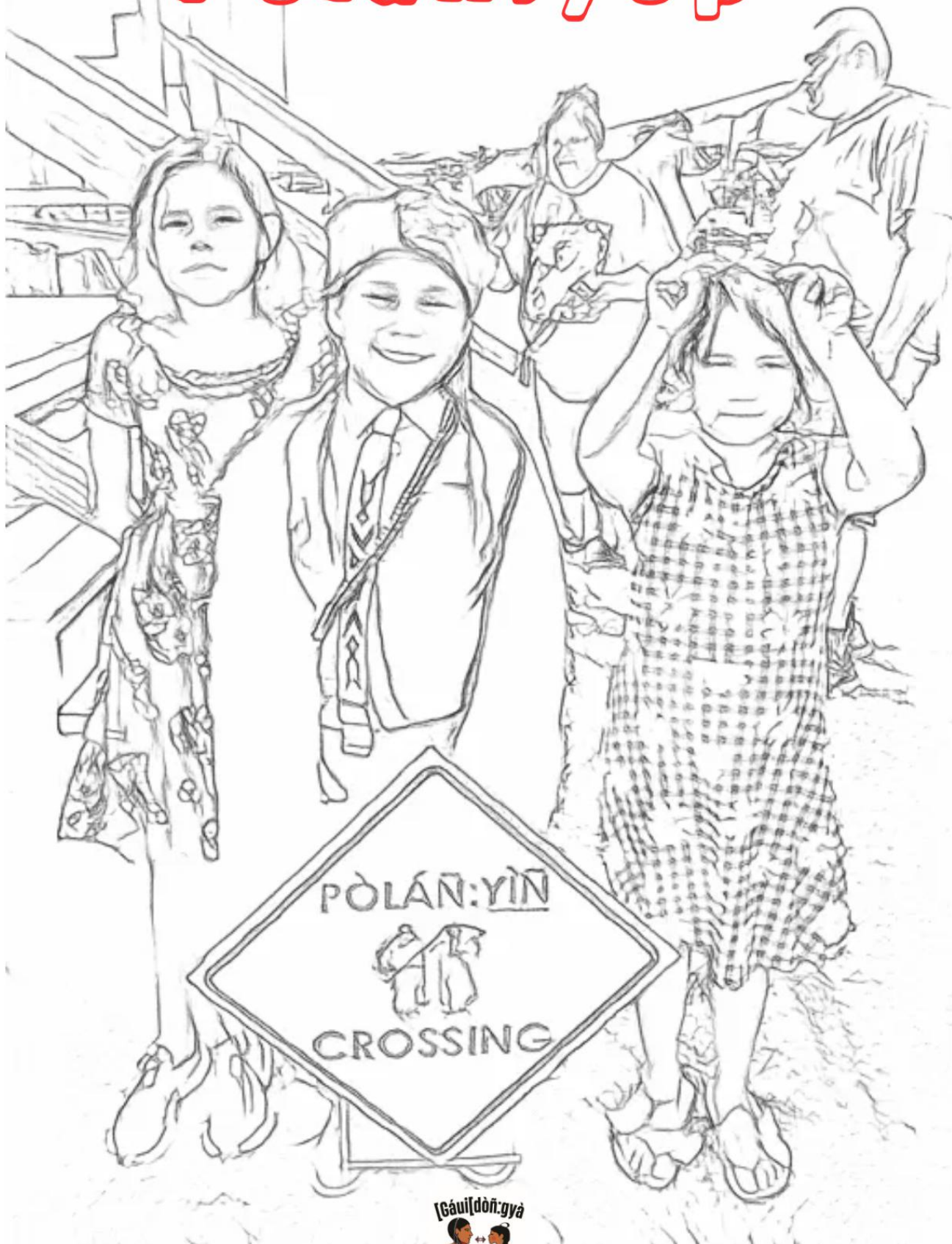
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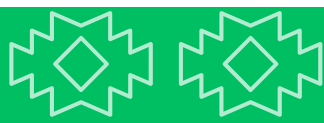
1. Heat 1 Tbsp oil in frying pan on medium heat. Add onion, mushroom and green pepper. Cook 2-4 minutes or until tender.
2. Add tomatoes and spices and cook for 2 more minutes.
3. Add beans. Stir to combine.
4. Tear tortillas into bite-size pieces.
5. Layer ½ tortillas, ½ filling and ½ cheese in 8-inch baking pan that has been coated with 1 Tbsp of olive oil. Repeat layers, ending with cheese.
6. Bake uncovered for 20 minutes.

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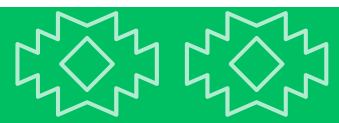


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TENDING TO THE HERD



By D. Hadley

Till now I've only seen photos and received a few updates about how the herd of 10 buffalo were doing since their arrival back in the early spring of this year, March 2025. So, when David Anderson, EPA, asked if I would be interested in accompanying him during their feeding, I could not pass up the opportunity and immediately charged the camera. It was the closest I had ever been to a live buffalo, and surprisingly... I was not as nervous as I thought I would be.

"Sorry it's a bit of a bumpy ride, but I'm glad you wore boots," said Ayden Anderson, apprentice. I smiled back and said I don't mind; I am no stranger to country life; it made me think of my sister and her farm I visit often. Once we were a distance north of the gate, I was able to see the majestic beasts huddled together as they stared back at the us in the blue truck. Ayden explained how they were becoming more familiar with them and the blue truck. He said, "I'm sure they know the blue truck as the feeding truck and the white truck as the 'uh oh' truck."

"Aim-ah" David yelled the Kiowa word for "come here" out window as we drove further northwest to their feeding and water area. Once parked all of us, including my co-editor, got out of the truck and David kept yelling at the buffalo while spreading feed out for them. A few moments passed but once one of the bulls came trotting toward us, the others soon followed behind him. It was a beautiful sight to see all of them trotting in the morning sun. Each moved with purpose and strength and didn't seem to mind that we were standing there watching.

"Beautiful, aren't they?" asked David. I was speechless, all I could do was nod as I began to snap pictures of what I was witnessing. Ayden said, "I never get tired of this." We just stood in silence and watched in awe as the herd of buffalo ate and snorted among each other.

Female #101, 'Pau Mah Yee', the runt of herd, was the one who got the closest to me. David asked if I had noticed her eyes. I informed him that I did, one appeared to be milky white compared to her other.

He then explained that the herd experienced pink eye. It started with male #52, 'Haun Gyah Kee'. David continued by telling us that he first noticed the pink eye on May 29th. He made several phone calls and reached out to three veterinarians in three different counties before finding one that was familiar with buffalo, Brent Hancock from Southwest Veterinary Clinic in Hobart, Oklahoma. What's more, Brent worked with the Kiowa Tribe before as the veterinarian years ago when the Tribe had buffalo southeast of the complex, which is now where the dance grounds are located.

Brent complimented David on catching the spread of pink eye early. He explained that the clinic had several cases of it in a number of livestock due to all the rain Oklahoma experienced throughout the spring. He then prescribed antibiotics and stated that the condition should go away on its own within 45 days.

Ayden showed us a dart they use to inject the buffalo with for treatment, an antibiotic called Draxxin. He also said that they are often in the white truck with the equipment later in the day, reason the buffalo may recognize it as the "uh-oh" truck. The last two buffalo to receive treatment was on July 13, 2025. David said something he's noticed by watching is that when one of them are sick; he, or she, tends to separate themselves from the herd. But the most interesting is how the others will check on the one that is sick and walk together for water and food. "...it's like they have their own understanding and move together as herd to help each other," said David.

He later told me about the recent training he attended at Quapaw Nation for the InterTribal Buffalo Council (ITBC) hands-on training on buffalo necropsy to help strengthen buffalo health across Indian Country. Representatives from Pawnee, Kiowa, Cheyenne & Arapaho, and eastern Shawnee came together along with partners from Tanka Fund and the Indigenous Food & Agriculture Initiative from the University of Arkansas to learn how to assess the herd's health through necropsy techniques that are also vital to care and restore buffalo herds.

Such trainings assist in building capacity, strengthen food systems, and honor the responsibility in managing buffalo behavior.

David said that he felt very humbled by the amount of support he received at the gathering. He said, "They [ITBC] really want to see the herds thrive." Randy Hawk and Ralph Tallbear, Cheyenne & Arapaho, both informed David to reach out anytime, they learned a lot through their experience and mistakes.

I asked David about his experience with buffalo. He stated how he grew up around livestock most of his life. David had several friends who owned livestock, whom he would help out. Later he married into a horse family and cared for his own for several years. David also informed that he used to work for the Comanche Nation and cared for their buffalo.

What is your favorite part or thing about working for the Kiowa Tribe and tending to their buffalo herd I asked. He said with a smile, working alongside his son and apprentice Ayden. "I know some people think it is favoritism, but truthfully Ayden was chosen by Chairman SpottedBird himself." Ayden is a returning sophomore in college and a double major studying both Biology & Native American Studies. His goal is to work for the Wichita Wildlife Refuge and gain more knowledge and experience with the wildlife within their boundaries.

David said he is hopeful to bring another apprentice or two next year. He said he can see the Kiowa Tribe buffalo herd growing and will need more help tending to them. And with any luck, maybe the herd will also bring opportunities for the surrounding schools and interest the youth in caring for buffalo.



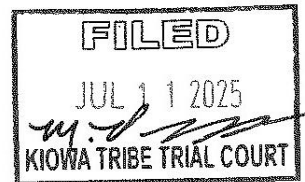
Pictured above is Ayden & David Anderson.

Below is 'Pau Mah Yee', the smallest of the herd and my favorite buffalo. (Thanks again. - Dianna)





In the Trial Court of the Kiowa Tribe
at
Carnegie, Oklahoma



IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF)
ADMINISTRATOR IN THE ESTATE OF)

Case No. KT-PB-24-0006

VINCENT LUKE PALMER, Deceased)
Kiowa Tribal Member)

Judge: Mitchell

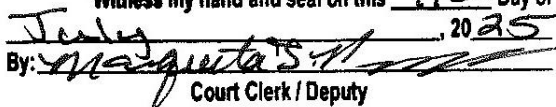
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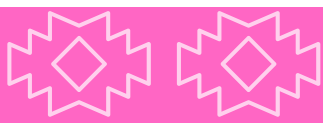
This serves as notice that on July 11, 2025, MariAnn Palmer Corley was appointed administrator of the estate of the above name deceased Kiowa Tribal Member. A will is on file with the Kiowa Trial Court. Anyone who wishes to contest the validity of the will shall do so by filing with the Kiowa Trial Court. Any contest must be made within 90 days of this notice, or they shall be forever barred.

SO ORDERED, this 11th day of July, 2025.

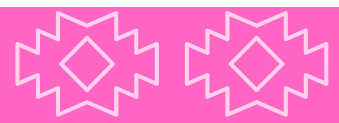

Judge Mitchell, Chief Judge

HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE, CORRECT
AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE INSTRUMENT HERewith SET
OUT AS IT APPEARS ON RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COURT
CLERK, KIOWA TRIBAL COURT.

Witness my hand and seal on this 11th Day of
July, 2025
By: 
Court Clerk / Deputy



IN LOVING MEMORY



Thomasine "Pumpkin" Neconie, was born on February 9, 1951 to Chester and Edwina (Longhat) Silverhorn in Lawton, Oklahoma. She passed away June 12, 2025, at the age of 74 in Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Thomasine "Pumpkin" Neconie, was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe and longtime resident of Anadarko, Oklahoma. She was originally from Stecker, Oklahoma, where she grew up before making her home in Anadarko for the majority of her life.

She married James "Ace" Neconie in Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Thomasine was a beloved Mother and Grandmother. Thomasine was the cherished granddaughter of Haungooah and Hattie "Taugoon" Silverhorn. He was a noted Kiowa artist. She was known for her deep love of her heritage and culture. Her passion for creativity was matched by her enjoyment of life's simple pleasures—she loved going to the casino, playing bingo, solving word puzzles, going out to eat and reading a good book. Above all, Thomasine was devoted to her family. She deeply loved her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and her joy in their company was evident to all who knew her. She took pride in her work at Riverside Indian School, where she served faithfully for over 25 years before retiring.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, James, along with her sisters Darwina Silverhorn Palmer, Susie "Tootie" Silverhorn, Christina "Baby Doll" Silverhorn, and Colleen Silverhorn Keahbone; and brothers Edwin "Bullhorn" Silverhorn and Barney Silverhorn.

She is survived by her loving children, daughters: Rose Marie Silverhorn of Anadarko, Oklahoma,

and Donna Marie Neconie of Anadarko, Oklahoma; sons Orville Lynn Neconie and Jenna Johnson of Anadarko, Oklahoma, and Mack Allen Silverhorn, of Anadarko, Oklahoma. She is also survived by her brothers Carney Silverhorn and Francis Palmer of Anadarko, Oklahoma and Larnie Silverhorn and Linda Chasenah of Lawton, Oklahoma.

Her grandchildren brought immense joy to her life. Among them are two special grandchildren, Tina Neconie and Derek Silverhorn, as well as Heaven, Autumn, Tahashe, Harmony, Xavier, Sosanah, Alfred, Oshalyn, Isaac, Sadayah and Thomasine. Her great-grandchildren include Derek Jr., Sr., and a soon-to-be great-granddaughter, Everleigh. Thomasine will be remembered for her warmth, resilience, humor, and the love she poured into her family and her work.



Tracie Lynn Jimenez, 53, of Anadarko, Oklahoma, passed away unexpectedly on June 13, 2025. She was born on March 27, 1972, to Ramona Joyce Limon in Lawton, Oklahoma. Tracie grew up on Caddo Road. She met Sabino Jimenez and later got married on March 20, 1997, in Wichita Falls, Texas. To this union, were born six children: Alexandra and Emily Geimausaddle, (†) Angel, (†) Vanessa, Cristian, and Cassandra Jimenez. Tracie loved her family deeply. She spent her working life taking care of them. She enjoyed music, art and watching movies. Tracie will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her Husband: Sabino Jimenez of Anadarko, OK; Children: Alexandra Geimausaddle, Anadarko, OK; Vanessa Jimenez, Anadarko, OK; Cristian Jimenez, Anadarko, OK

Cassandra Jimenez, Anadarko, OK; Grandchildren: Cenobia, Lorenzo, Tillian, and Eowyn. Siblings: Marta Maldonado, Newcastle, OK; Dennis Maldonado, Norman, OK; Liobardo Maldonado, Lawton, OK; Kevin Geimausaddle, Anadarko, OK; Robert Geimausaddle, Anadarko, OK. Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members.

Tracie is preceded in death by her Mother: Ramona Joyce Limon, Son: Angel Jimenez, Daughter: Emily Geimausaddle, and her Grandmother: Una Dunlap



Raymond Tongkeamha, 83, of Carnegie, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on June 20, 2025, at the Carnegie Nursing Home in Carnegie, Oklahoma. He was born on June 15, 1942, to Weiser & Henrietta (Apayyat) TongKeahma in Lawton, Oklahoma. He was a direct descendant of Set'tainta White Bear. Raymond grew up and attended school in Carnegie, graduating from Carnegie High School in 1960. He was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals right out of high school. Raymond enlisted in the United States Air Force and served honorably. He was a member of the Rainy Mountain Kiowa Indian Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Saddle Mountain Indian Baptist Church, serving as a Deacon and caretaker. He was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe and the Kiowa Gourd Clan. Raymond loved hunting, fishing, softball, and hand games. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include: Children: Denise Buck & husband Mitchell, Ada, OK; Byron TongKeahma, Carnegie, OK; Steven TongKeahma, OKC, OK; Stephanie Garcia & husband Daniel, Brighton, FL Grandchildren: Lance, Gavin, Natalie Jae, Natalie R, Leamon, Trevor, Mikela, Lynna,



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Stephanie, Francelia, Phil, Alyster, Dexter, Spawn, Kiowa, and Sheldon. 18 Great Grandchildren; 1 Great Great Grandchild. Sisters: Prenella TongKeahma, Anadarko, OK; Lisa TongKeahma LaBrada, Carnegie, OK; Many Nieces, Nephews, and Cousins that he loved dearly.

Preceded in death by his Parents: Weiser and Henrietta TongKeahma, Sons: Raymond Lee TongKeahma Jr., and Clifton TongKeahma, Grandchild: Byron Jr., Brothers: Wallace, Clifton, James, and Bruce; Sisters: Melissa, LaVena, and Rebecca.



Lou Ann Haddon passed away on Saturday, June 21st, 2025 at her residence in Anadarko, OK. Born and raised in Hobart, Oklahoma, she was the daughter of William B. "Bill" Hall (Zotigh) and Louise Whitehorse Hall, and the granddaughter of Charles Whitehorse, Mabel Hummingbird, Stephen Hall Zotigh, and Inez Amaunkomo Zotigh.

Lou Ann graduated from Hobart High School in 1974 and attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Lou Ann was elected as the 1977 Kiowa Tribal Princess at the age of 21, her Director was Matthew Whitehorse and earned through tribal election. After her reign she continued to work for the Kiowa Tribe in a few departments until she moved over to Riverside Indian School for about a year.

Lou Ann was united in marriage to Taft Haddon on January 5, 1990 in Wichita Falls, TX. They made their home in Anadarko and she worked in service of Indian Country as a Legal Instruments Examiner in the Land Titles & Records Office at the Southern Plains Regional Office of the BIA throughout her professional career. She retired December 31st 2018 after 28 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents and 1 brother William B. Hall Jr.

Survivors include her husband Taft Haddon, Anadarko, OK; 1 Daughter: Beverlee Jewel, & Harold Antonio of New Mexico; 1 Son: Sebastian Daughomah Haddon, & Companion Valerie Crispin of Anadarko, OK; 6 Grandchildren: Quinlynn & Companion Jacob Evans, Mefaunwey Keely, Sheaden Louise, Khanyien Tahlee, Takoda Robert, Giovanni Sebastian. 1 Great-grandson: Jonah Aaron
3 Brothers: Stephen C. Hall Zotigh, Hobart, OK; William H. Hall Zotigh, Hobart, OK
Perry K. Hall, Hobart, OK. Sisters: Donna Beaver and Keri Whitebuffalo. Special Friends: Karen Pewo, Betty Kauley and Wynette Satoe
Host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends



Jon Francis Wilson, 60, of Carnegie, Oklahoma, passed away on Sunday, June 22, 2025. He was born on October 27, 1964 to Jerry Dean Wilson Sr. and Francetta Stumblingbear-Segovia, in Wichita, Kansas. Jon grew up in Wichita, Kansas. He graduated from Haskell Indian Nations Junior College. He had one son with Linda Shaffer. He later married Kaye Wilson on February 29, 1988, and they had 4 children together. Jon then married Trina Crawford on June 11, 2025, and they had 6 kids together. Jon was a jack of all trades, there wasn't anything he couldn't do. He enjoyed working on cars. He worked as a cab driver for most of his working life. Jon enjoyed listening to music, and making a variety of different arts and crafts. He also loved traveling, including to New York for many years as Santa Claus, which he was very proud of. Jon was also a licensed ordained minister. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include: Ex-wife: Kaye Wilson, Carnegie, OK; Wife: Trina Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Children: Joseph Wilson and wife Rebecca, Wichita, KS; Irene Wilson, Carnegie, OK; April Wilson, Aztec, NM
Carolyn Wilson, Carnegie, OK; Andrew Wilson, Carnegie, OK; Katelyn Crawford, Lawrence, KS
Emily Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Rusty Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Harvey Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Jon Benjamin Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Calamity Crawford, Pittsburgh, MO; Grandkids: Hana Beck and husband Zac Beck
Malachi Charlie, Nayely Wilson, Kaya Wilson, Aleece Wilson, Meilani Wilson, Wade Wilson.
Brothers: Randy Wilson, Blackwell, OK; Jerry Dean Wilson Jr., Wichita, KS; Sisters: Shereen Wilson and husband Randy Harjo, Ada, OK; Janee Wilson, Tacoma, WA
Friend: Linda Shaffer, Wichita, KS
He is preceded in death by Parents Jerry and Francetta. And Grandparents Francis and Irene Stumblingbear.



Vera Kay Ahtone-Stevenson passed away peacefully on June 23, 2025, in Anadarko, Oklahoma. Born on April 22, 1960, in Lawton, Oklahoma, to parents William and Mary Lucy (Contreras) Ahtone.

Vera attended Broxton School in her youth, and her educational journey led her to study Visual Arts at the Caddo Kiowa Technology Center. Changing directions, her professional life was spent in the service of others, working diligently as a housekeeper, where she was appreciated for her meticulous care.

Vera's love for the outdoors was evident in the time she spent tending to her rock garden. Her pets parrots ever-present companions, shared in the joy of her quiet country home. Vera found relaxation in watching spooky movies and completing puzzles.

Described by all who knew her as kind and friendly, Vera's presence was a source of comfort

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She had a unique way of making everyone feel like family, extending her love and care to numerous close cousins, whom she regarded as siblings and their children, whom she treated as her own.

Vera is survived by son David Wagar and his wife Crystal, and daughter Sarah Moulton. She was grandmother to Kelsi Wishon, Kaitlin Davis, and Matthew Miller, and a great-grandmother to Bella Davis, Kymber Wishon, Jackson Wishon, and Kathryn Wishon. Her brothers, William Ahtone Jr. and Mike Ahtone, and sister, Vicky Martinez, also survive her, carrying forward the light of her spirit.

Vera was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Stevenson, her son, James Moulton, her brothers, Charles Quiroz and Victor Twohatchett, her sisters, Gloria Johnson, Joyce Kidd, Mary Dixie, and Jeanette Madison, her parents, and her stepmother, Anabel Ahtone.



Barbara Joy Stumblingbear, 75, of Lawrence, Kansas, passed away on Thursday, June 26, 2025, at LMH Health. A Celebration of Life will take place at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 7th at the Ponca Community Center in White Eagle, Oklahoma. Burial will follow on Tuesday, July 8th at 11:00 AM at Rainy Mountain Cemetery in Carnegie, Oklahoma.

Barbara was born on September 3, 1949, in Lawton, Oklahoma, the daughter of Cecil and Thelma (Bointy) Stumblingbear. She was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and an alumna of Oklahoma State University.

Barbara was a strong, hardworking woman who dedicated over 42 years of her life to Haskell

Indian Nations University, where she supported, guided, and watched over thousands of Native students pursuing higher education.

She took great pride in her work and found deep joy in helping students succeed, often becoming a steady presence in their academic and personal lives. Known for her resilience, generosity, and unwavering dedication, Barbara made a lasting impact on generations of Indigenous scholars. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, colleagues, and the countless students whose lives she touched.

Barbara loved to visit with people and had many friends. She was an inspiration to her family and community. A lady singer, she enjoyed singing and traveling to powwows and ceremonies, embracing her culture and sharing it with others.

She is survived by her sons, Pete (Jenny) Buffalohead, Jerod Buffalohead, Robert Collins, and Bruce Collins; her daughter, Justine Collins; her brother, Alfred Stumblingbear; her grandchildren, Alia Buffalohead Pueblo (Trevor), Keetha (Darian) Buffalohead, Andye Wolfe, and Katzy Buffalohead; and her great-grandchildren, Yeniah, Yenuzah, Josie, Vadan, Layana, Havoc, Vyllette, Donanegah Zhing, Kyrstyn, and Mihayv.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Jason Buffalohead and Wesley Collins; daughter, Jennie Collins; brother, Cecil Royce Stumblingbear; and granddaughter, Allana Buffalohead.

Barbara will be deeply missed by her family, friends, colleagues, and the countless students whose lives she touched.



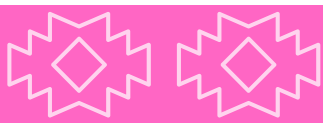
Myrna Jo Espinoza, 68, of Anadarko, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully with her

family by her side on July 3, 2025, in Edmond, Oklahoma. She was born on January 7, 1957, to Frank John and Patricia (Zotigh) Espinoza in Wichita, Kansas. Myrna grew up and attended school in Anadarko, graduating from Riverside in 1976. She loved playing softball. After highschool she attended OU for a while and then attended Caddo Kiowa Vo-Tech, receiving her LPN License. Myrna worked for the Anadarko Hospital, Jones Home Health, and then Lawton Indian Hospital where she retired. She enjoyed watching movies, cooking with her family, gardening and reading. Myrna was an avid OU fan and UFC fan. She was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma and a member of the Grace Christian Fellowship Church. Myrna will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

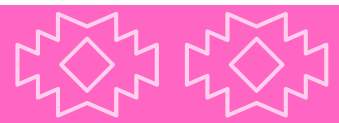
Survivors include: Children: John Espinoza & Companion Adrianne, Anadarko, OK; Yolanda Rodriguez, Anadarko, OK; 11 Grandchildren 2 Great Grandchildren. Sister: Leanna Balbuena & husband, Augusto, Chickasha, OK. Brothers: George Espinoza & wife Aura, Houston, TX; Philip Espinoza, OKC, OK; Special Friends: Challis Hunter, Lander, WY; Sharlene Roundface, Billings, MT; Paula Johnson, Anadarko, OK; Gina Meyer, Anadarko, OK. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Preceded in death by her parents: Frank John and Patricia Espinoza, Brothers: Daniel Espinoza and Frank Espinoza Jr., Sister: Freda Keahbone, Nephews: Wendall Keahbone and Dakota Espinoza, grandparents: Stephen and Inez Zotigh, and Fred & Mary Espinoza.





IN LOVING MEMORY



Carol Loann Paddlety Ahshapanek, 83 of Anadarko, Oklahoma entered into eternity with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on July 7, 2025 at home surrounded by her family. Carol was born June 15, 1942 at the USPHS Indian Hospital in Lawton, Oklahoma to James "Big Jim" Paddlety JR and Joan Horsechief.

Carol grew up in Anadarko and graduated from Riverside Indian School in 1961. While attending Riverside she participated in softball, basketball, was elected football homecoming queen and was President of the Student Council.

While in high school she participated in the Candy Striper program at St. Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City. There she took care of her then future husband Don Ahshapanek. She married her lifelong love on September 28, 1962 at Angie Smith Memorial Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Born to this union were three sons, Darren, Don Jr (Shaunde) and Brian. They were married for 52 years prior to Don's passing in 2015.

Carol stayed home raising her boys, then returned to college and graduated from Haskell Indian Junior College in Lawrence, Kansas. She then pursued her nursing career. Carol graduated from Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas, in 1979 with a Bachelor Degree in Nursing. Carol worked in many health care specialty areas and retired from the Indian Health Service after 20 years of service. While working with the IHS she was a Public Health Nurse and served in the Commission Corps. She worked at Phoenix IHS, Pawhuska IHS Clinic, Lawton Indian Hospital and

Anadarko Indian Health Center. She retired in the early 2000's.

Carol was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma. She also was a descendant of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes and Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. Carol was elected as the 1958 Wichita Tribal Princess, was a member of the Wichita Service Club and a member of the Kiowa War Mothers organization.

Most paramount of Carol's life was her salvation and relationship with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Carol was a member of the First Baptist Church in Anadarko where she attended church and Sunday school. Carol was preceded in death by her father James "Big Jim" Paddlety JR, mother Joan Horsechief, paternal grandparents James Paddlety, SR and wife Annie Blackbear, maternal grandparents John Horsechief and wife Alice Pickard, sister Jamie Paddlety, brothers Garland "Red" Paddlety, Clifton Paddlety and James Paddlety III.

Survivors include brother Darrell Paddlety and wife Brenda of Arizonia, sister Rose of Oklahoma City, sons Darren and wife Michelle of Anadarko, Don Ahshapanek JR and wife Loriann of Mississippi and Brian Ahshapanek of Anadarko.

Grandchildren: Rebekah Ahshapanek, Daniel Ahshapanek, Andrew Ahshapanek and wife Sunshine, Sean Ahshapanek and Barbara, Don Ahshapanek III and wife Traci, Tia Ahshapanek, Niya Ahshapanek and Paul Johnson. Great grandchildren: Jaci Poncho, Michelle Meeks, Jocelyn Ahshapanek, Shaunde Ahshapanek, Daez C Ahshapanek, Daezia Ahshapanek and Houston Ahshapanek.

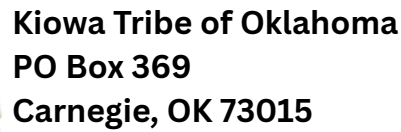
The family would like to thank Russell Murray Hospice for their exceptional compassionate care.



Enos Alfonso Svitak, Jr., passed away on July 11, 2025, surrounded by his family in El Reno, OK. He was born to Enos E. & Naomi (Cozad) Svitak, Sr., on September 20, 1957, in Anadarko, OK. Enos grew up and attended schools in Anadarko, graduating in 1976. He married the love of his life, Julia Sweezy, on December 23, 1976, in Caddo County, OK. Together they had three children. Enos loved spending time with his family and watching the Oklahoma City Thunder. Enos was a proud member of the Kiowa Tribe. He worked for the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes until his retirement in 2008. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include: Wife: Julia Svitak of the home. Children: Andrea Renee Phemister, Kathrine Ruth Svitak all of El Reno, OK. Grandchildren: Andrew James Svitak, Donna Sue Minear, Hailee Marie Phemister, Ilias King Rowlodge and Naomi Kay Rowlodge of El Reno, OK. Siblings: Marilyn Martin, Michael Svitak, Eva Svitak, Carrie Pennington, Norman Svitak, Norbert Svitak, Cathy Harrison. A host of loving family members near and far.

Preceded in death by his daughter Clarice Svitak, grandson: Qunique Kawaykla, parents: Enos & Naomi Svitak, brother: Edward Svitak, nephew: John Michael Svitak



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