



Obituary

Born: Monday, July 4, 1960

Died: Monday, September 9, 2019

In Loving Memory of
Thomas Wilbert Corbiere
"Black Standing Bear"

July 4, 1960 - September 9, 2019

Bear Passed away at home in Crystal, Michigan on Monday
September 9, 2019 at the age of 59.

He was born in Mindemoya, Ontario, Canada to parents
Patrick Saigon "Patty Turkey" and Elizabeth Corbiere (both
predeceased).

Bear is survived by his wife
Carol Corbiere "Cedar Women"; daughter Kirsten; step
children Emily and James Boothroyd
and seven grandchildren.

Bear will be missed by his Uncle Wilbert Corbiere.
He will be dearly missed by nieces Debbie Spanish
and her four children,

Kimberly Bebonang and her son,
Samantha Southwind (Luke) and their 8 children
and nephews Darral Spanish and Patrick.

Bear was predeceased by sister Doreen Corbiere,
step children Alison and Grant Mitchell,
niece Jacklyn Corbiere and nephew Peter.

Bear attended and graduated from school in Sault Saint
Marie. Had been employed by Ventra in Ionia as a quality
inspector for the past 4 years. Prior to that, he worked for
Soaring Eagle Casino as part of the kitchen staff. Bear also
worked as a substance abuse counselor in Escanaba many
years ago. He was a member of M'Chigeeng First Nation
Tribe on Manitoulin Island, Ontario and was very fluent in
speaking Ojibwa.

Bear married Carol Roberts on May 16, 2005 in Ionia. He
was a very devoted husband to his "nooks", Carol. Bear
loved his dogs Bonnie, Pansy, and Toto dearly as well as his
cat and chickens. Bear was a man of many traits from his
beading to his outstanding craftsmanship. He enjoyed the
outdoors, walks with his dogs, music, his garage with all of
his tools as well as going to pow wows. he was a very
cultural and spiritual man who was always learning, teaching
and growing.

He was most passionate for his wife, the lady that crossed the
ocean for him, she gave him the inspiration to be the amazing
loving husband, uncle and friend.

Visitation:
September 13, 2019 from 7:00 pm

Service Summary

Visiting

7:00 PM Fri Sep 13, 2019

Saswaahns Spiritual Centre

M'Chigeeng, ON

Funeral Service

10:00 AM Sun Sep 15, 2019

Saswaahns Spiritual Centre

M'Chigeeng, ON

at Saswaahns Centre
Sunrise Service:
Sunday September 15, 2019
Drumming Social: 10:00 am
with traditional service to follow.
Cremation.