

In Loving Memory of

Esther Rose Pretty Sounding Flute

September 4, 1960 - June 4, 2026



This Is Not Goodbye

*I did not want to leave you
It was just my time to go
I know your heart is breaking
So, I need to let you know
That although you can no longer see me
I'll be forever by your side
I promise time will numb the pain
And help dry the tears you've cried
You can reach me in your memories
Just think of me, I will be there
In your dreams, we can visit yesteryear
Where we didn't have a care
Please carry on and live your life
I beg of you to try
Just know we'll meet again one day
As this is not goodbye*

Wake Services

*Holy Comforter Episcopal Church
Lower Brule, SD
7:00 p.m., Sunday, June 7, 2026*

Funeral Service

*Holy Comforter Episcopal Church
Lower Brule, SD
1:00 p.m., Monday, June 8, 2026*

Officiating

*Father Kim Fonder
Terry Quilt*

*Christian Herman
Shirley Crane*

Casketbearers

*Charles Pretty Sounding Flute
George Pretty Sounding Flute
Emery Pretty Sounding Flute
Ray Pretty Sounding Flute
Kyle Pretty Sounding Flute
Danny Boy Pretty Sounding Flute*

*Dave Pretty Sounding Flute
Floyd Pretty Sounding Flute
Elijah Pretty Sounding Flute
Thaddeus Grant
Darrell LaRoche
Jacob Pretty Sounding Flute*

Honorary Bearers

*Marilyn Whitney
Carole Muniz
Tony Goodlow
Cameron Parker
John McCauley
Jerry Fallis
Tammy LaRoche
Roberta Dempsey
Tom Snoball
Alicia Drum
Gladys LaRoche
Judy LaRoche
Collete Langdeau*

*Charles Pretty Sounding Flute
Tanya Fleury
Lambert DeSheuquette
Harvey & Marilyn LaRoche
Savannah Pretty Sounding Flute
Jill Fallis
Travis LaRoche
Grace Snoball
Pete Snoball
Theresa Jandreau & Family
Deliane Flute
Aaron Flute
Emily Flute & Family*

*Buelah Duran
Emmet Goodface
Frank Howe
Emma Russell
Sieana Fallis
Carole Felicia
Kim Dempsey
Mary Snoball
Rosetta Drum
Roberta Pease
Jarrid "O.J." LaRoche
Amiel Flute
Vicki Flute & Family*

Neil & Isabelle Whitney Pretty Sounding Flute

Interment

*Holy Comforter Episcopal Cemetery, Lower Brule, SD
Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*



Esther Rose Pretty Sounding Flute, entered the spirit world on June 4th, 2026

Esther was born on September 4, 1960, in Chamberlain, South Dakota. She was brought into this world by her loving mother, Isabell Drum, and her father, Virgil Pretty Sounding Flute. Throughout her life, Esther went to Lower Brule high school and St. Josephs. She was also an RPN in Florida and worked at the tribal hall as a janitor. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend whose

kindness, strength, and love touched the lives of everyone the loss of Esther is deeply felt by all who knew her. Her smile, laughter, and caring nature brought comfort to many. While her absence leaves an emptiness that can never be filled, she had a warm spirit, and a caring heart. Her family was the center of her world, and she devoted her life to loving and supporting those she cherished. She loved her grandchildren so much! She is survived by her children (Rebecca Rodriguez, Misty Rose, Jacquelyn Rose, Jacob Rodriguez, Elijah Pretty Sounding Flute and her sisters Char Pretty Sounding Flute, Carrie Pretty Sounding Flute, Amanda Pretty Sounding Flute, April Pretty Sounding Flute and their brother Charles Pretty Sounding Flute, Emiel Pretty Sounding Flute, Gladys Pretty Sounding Flute, Delaine Pretty Sounding Flute. Also, her non biological sisters Kim and Roberta Dempsey, Tammy and Travis LaRoche and all the grand kid's. Rose Beth PSF Flute, Cameron Parker and Frank Hall and all our cousin's from Nebraska: Mary Snowball, Grace Snowball, Tom Snowball, Pete Snowball, Rosetta Drum and Alicia Drum and all her family and friends who we forgot to mention.

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