



Sara Lynn Ganje was born November 9, 1947 to Samuel Arpan and Eudora Azure on the Old Cheyenne Agency. She was one of seven siblings, including three sisters and three brothers. When she was a young girl, she lost her Mother which was very traumatic for her, but her loving Father did a great job of raising his children.

Sara attended school in Eagle Butte, SD, where she graduated in 1968. Later that year, Sara married her husband of 53 years, David Ganje. Together they raised three children: Loren, Lavon and Jared.

Sara enjoyed being a wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She always made the holidays special for her family with her baking, cooking and decorating. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and would have fun scaring them with her costumes on Halloween. In her younger years, she decorated cakes for her friends on special occasions, and made many bikini cakes in her day! She always enjoyed a good laugh and making people laugh. She loved to tease and joke with anyone that she met; at times, you never knew what she might say. Her light hearted nature drew people to her and she loved having them around. She made sure that anyone who entered her house felt at home and she was always willing to help, often providing transportation, food, support and guidance.

Sara began working for the Cheyenne Eagle Butte School system in 1979. After working for 25 years, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe made an Executive Proclamation in recognition of her accomplishments and identified May 17, 2004 as Sara L. Arpan Ganje Day. She continued to work at the school another 14 years until her retirement on June 29, 2018.

Sara is survived by her husband, David Ganje; her three children: Loren (Dawn) Ganje; Camryn, Reese & Logyn; Lavon (Gerald) Booth; Jace (Becky), Payton & Dixon; Jared (Savannah) Ganje; Tristan, Isabella, Tia, Kya & Mason; great-grandchildren: Jalee, Blake & Jensyn Booth; her sister Donna Iverson, nieces Cathy Iverson, Laura Schad, Kerrilyn Arpan & Sammi Cox, and nephew Mike Arpan.

She is preceded in death by her two granddaughters, Ashlyn Booth & Hannah Ganje; her brothers, Anthony Arpan, Michael Arpan & Sammy

In Loving Memory of:



Sara L. Ganje

November 9, 1947 ~ November 27, 2021

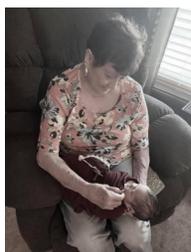


God Saw You Getting Tired

*God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "Come to me."*

*You didn't deserve what you went through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best*

*And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Sara Lynn Ganje

74 Years ~ 0 Months ~ 18 Days

BORN:

November 9, 1947

Cheyenne Agency, South Dakota

PASSED AWAY:

November 27, 2021

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

11:00 AM MT, Thursday, December 2, 2021

All Saints Catholic Church

Eagle Butte, South Dakota

CLERGY:

Fr. John Paul Trask

READERS:

Peter Ragnone ~ Karla Abbott ~ Lucy Ganje

SPECIAL MUSIC:

Susie Payne ~ "How Great Thou Art"

SPECIAL RECORDINGS:

"Supermarket Flowers" ~ Ed Sheeran

"River of Dreams" ~ Billy Joel

CASKETBEARERS:

Jace Booth (grandson) ~ Dixon Booth (grandson)

Tristan Ganje (grandson) ~ Gary Cudmore (nephew)

Bob Walters (cousin) ~ Max Ganje (cousin)

HONORARY BEARERS:

Heather Allen, Karla Abbott, Diana Arpan, Sheila Ganje, Hank Joens, Susie Payne, Lucy Ganje, Linda Lawrence, Debby Brewer, Cynthia Charger, Mary Marshall, special sister Mona Demery, and Pete Ragnone; the caring staff at the Eagle Butte Dialysis, Eagle Butte IHS, and Avera McKennan, CEB Title 1 Staff; and many more friends and relatives too numerous to mention, including several Godchildren.

USHERS:

Ashley Arpan ~ Vincent Dupris

PLACE OF BURIAL: