

We Gather To Celebrate The Life Of

Diane “Sister” Gladys Bignell-Young

Wake Service: Wednesday August 24, 2022 6:00pm

Margaret Henderson Parish Hall, Opaskwayak Cree Nation

Presider: Rev: Flora Young

Funeral Service

Thursday, August 25, 2022 1:00pm

Church of the Redeemer, Opaskwayak Cree Nation

Presider: Rev: Flora Young

Order of Service

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Sentence: 589

Gospel Hymn: Send Your Best Angel for Mama

Memories of the Heart: Monty Gandhi

Song: Cree Hymn 66

Reading 1: Psalm 23: “The Lord is my Shepard”

Read by: Amanda Shingoose

Prayer: Lord’s Prayer

Reading 2: Isiah 61: 1-3 Read by: Karen Innes

Closing Hymn: Cree 132

Commendation: Rev. Flora Young

Active Pallbearers

Monty Gandhi, Corey Bignell, Slade Jacobson,
Hendrix Shingoose, Byron Bignell, Mensa Henderson,
Brandon Bignell, Jaxon Bignell.

Honorary Pallbearers

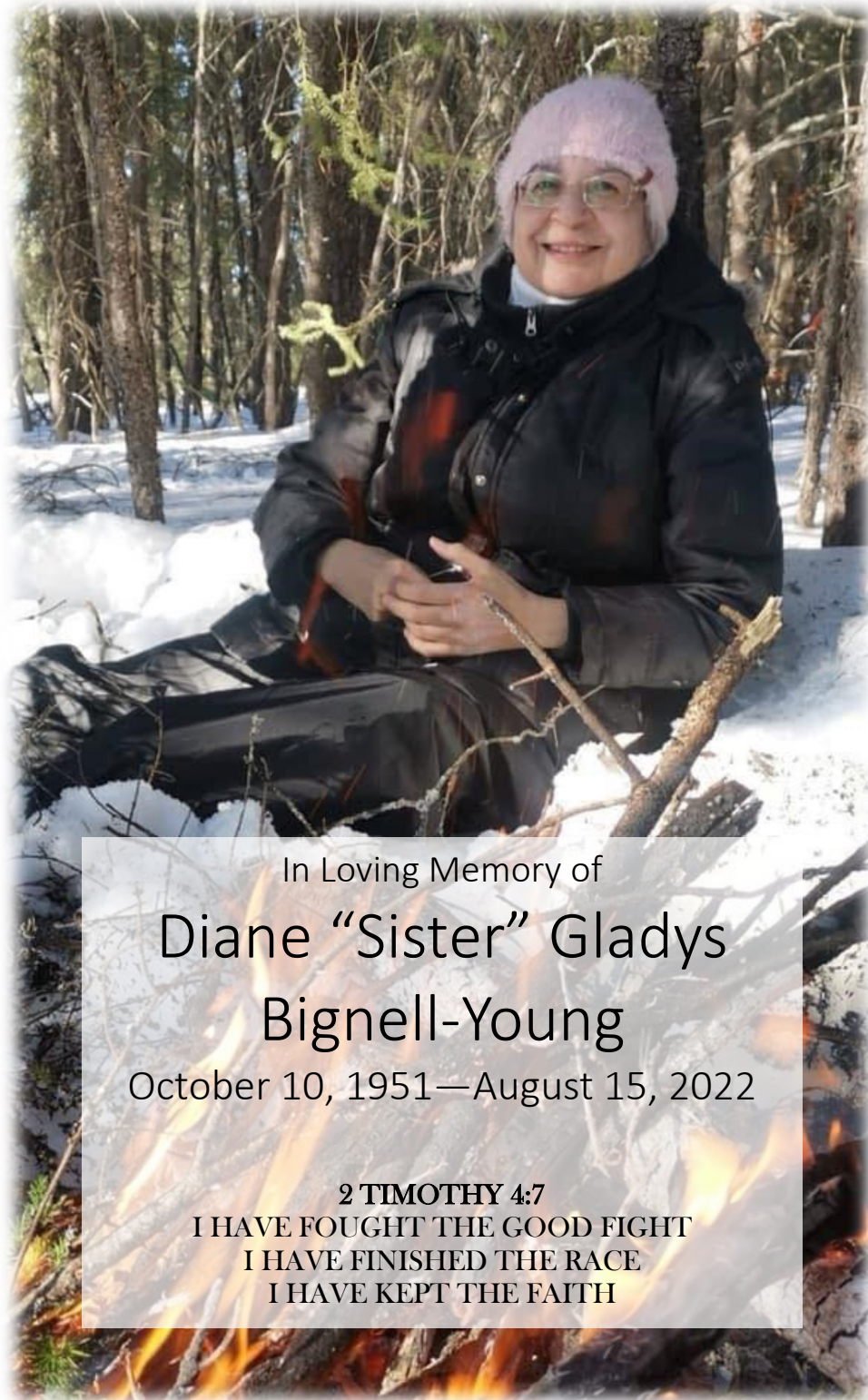
Pat Constant’s Family, Gloria Roettger, Karen Innes,
Lucy Dean, Russell Thorne, Rhonda Thorne,
All family and friends.



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In Loving Memory of
**Diane “Sister” Gladys
Bignell-Young**
October 10, 1951—August 15, 2022

2 TIMOTHY 4:7
I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT
I HAVE FINISHED THE RACE
I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH



*D*iane “Sister”

Gladys Bignell-Young was born in The Pas, Manitoba Wednesday, October 10, 1951, to Phillip Bignell and Alice Nevischuk. She resided at The Pas Indian Reserve on Riverside Drive in her younger years with her Father Philip Bignell and siblings.

She moved to Brandon, Manitoba in 1969 to attend Vincent Massey High School and where her best friend Doreen Beardy was residing. Once completing high school Gladys moved to Rochester, New York to obtain a nursing degree at Rochester Junior College. She then returned to northern Manitoba and was a nurse at Thompson Hospital and worked at the hospital for number of years. Gladys met Jack Gandhi in Thompson and together they had a son Monty Gandhi. She then left nursing career to be a full-time mom to her son, Monty. Sister lived in Thompson until she passed away peacefully at the Brandon General Hospital on Monday, August 15, 2022, with her son and her husband by her side, at the age of 70 years.

Monty was her pride and joy, and they were the best of friends. They did as much as possible together and both spoke very highly of each other and had the utmost respect and love for each other. Kalem came along, her only grandson, she was so happy to be a grandmother and would spend as much time with him as she possibly could, she loved him with her whole loving heart.

Gladys married her best friend Clayton Young on August 26, 2020, as promised to her late sister Phyllis, she wore a pair

rubber boots. Clayton and Gladys did many outdoor activities together such as fishing, hiking, boating and traveling. Clayton will remember her as a very kind, soft spoken, gentle, caring, understanding, nurturing and beautiful person, Clayton loved her dearly he will truly miss his best friend. To Clayton, Gladys was the perfect person, to him she was his everything. They met at the McDonald’s in Thompson and were friends until they fell in love. They poked fun at each other and teasingly said “I like you” and they continued to say “I still like you” until the end.

Gladys spent many dedicated years at Clarkes Pharmacy, supporting staff without hesitation. She always showed so much empathy and kindness to the Clarkes family and customers. She was everyone shoulder to lean on when things were tough.

Gladys survived by son Monty Gandhi; grandson Kalem; and her husband and best friend, Clayton Young; siblings Craig Bignell (Helen), Bernice Fenner, Kane Bignell, Allan Nevistiuk (Christine), Ward Nevistiuk, and special “sister”, Margaret Cook.

“Sister” was predeceased by her father Philip Bignell; mother Alice Nevistiuk; sister Phyllis Haney-Bignell; brother Cecil “Lil Guy” Bignell.



*In lieu of flowers,
donations to
CancerCare Manitoba,
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McDermot Avenue,
Winnipeg, Manitoba,
R3E 0V9, would be
appreciated by family.*

