

### Honorary Casketbearers

Aldean Black Bear	Alexus Little	Alfreda LeCompte
Alice BigCrow & Family	Amaya Hacker & Boys	Anthony Bad Horse
Aruthur Brown	Baptiste Pourier	Bariah LaRoche
Bessie Loudner & Family		Billie Jean Weddell & family
Brailey LeCompte	Brenden Estes	Brielyn LaRoche
Byron Andrews Jr.	Carl Medicine Crow & Boys	Carlos Castaneda
Carol Thigh & Family		Cashus Hunter
Castlewood Boys State Basketball Team 23'		
Cassie LeCompte	Catfish Whitney	Chantz Middletent
Charles "Chuck" LaRoche	Chasidy LaRoche & Rylar	Chasity Sachtjen & Family
Cheyenne Ziegler	Chey Grey	Crystal Middletent & Family
Dale & Fanchon Reinhard	Dale Big Eagle	Daniel Goodface, Jr.
Darrell Hunter	Dawn & Darrel Middletent	Dayden LaRoche
Deanna & Houston Rouillard	Derek Yellow Hawk	Desme Estes
Dillion DeJong	Dom LaRoche	Donovan Two Lance
Dylan Flute & family	Eden Thigh	EJ "Elbow" Langdeau
Eric Thigh	Evan Hawk	Garrett Goodlow
Gary Lantz	Gavyn Strand	Grandma Jeanette St. John
Grandma Jody McCauley & family		Grandma Pasha
Gwen Jandreau	H2 Langdeau	Heaven Grassrope
Iron Nation Boys	Jacoby LaRoche	Jarett Goodlow
Jermey Langdeau	Jim & Gayla Schock	Jolleen LaRoche & family
Jordan Langdeau	Kaedom Jack	Keith Johnson III
Kershayna LeCompte & Family	Keshaume Thigh	Kevin Wright Jr.
Kimberly Claymore	Laikyn Thompson	Lance Witte
Landon Little	Lane Grey	Leonard Langdeau
Lisa LaRoche & Family	LJ Flute & Family	Marcy Joseph & family
Marlo Langdeau & girls	Marlys Landeau	Marshalynn Janis & Boys
Martin McCauley & Family	Marty "Shawn" Voice	Mary Goodlow & Family
MyKenzie Rouillard	Natasha LaRoche & family	Numpa Kirkie
Randi LeBeau & Boys	Ray Taken Alive & family	Red Tail Express
Rhea Thigh & Family	Riley LaRoche & Sophia Comes Flying	Robert Bad Horse
Roberta Thigh & Family	Ronnie Thigh	Raymond Thigh
Roman Hawran	Samantha LaRoche & Family	Samantha Moeller & family
Selena Goodlow & Family	Shane Grey Owl	Shaylene High Elk & boys
Shev Stepp	Silas Chasing Hawk	Stephanie Landeau & Family
Steven & Lacey & Family		St. Joseph Indian School Staff
Talon Voice & Family		Tammy LaRoche & Family
Tanner Grey & Family	Taylor Hawk	Tayne Weddell & family
Tayshawn "Grizz" Battese	Teagan Gourneau	Thomas Eagle Thunder
TJ Langdeau	TJ McCauley & Family	Toby Estes
Tori Crowe	Trish Quilt & family	Tyrone Ziegler
Tyson Iyotte	Uncle Kevin Wright & family	Uncle Travis LaRoche

Any & all family, friends we may have forgotten.

In Loving Memory of

# Gavin Adam Thigh

August 20, 2004 - July 24, 2025

### Wake Services

Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, Lower Brule, SD

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 29, 2025

Lower Brule Community Center, Lower Brule, SD

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 30, 2025

### Funeral Service

Lower Brule Community Center, Lower Brule, SD

1:00 p.m., Thursday, July 31, 2025

### Officiating

Father Kim Fonder

Shirley Crane

### Casketbearers

Elliot LaRoche

Brian LaRoche, Jr.

Jerome "JJ" Grassrope

Brian LaRoche, Sr.

Sylvester LaRoche, III

Craig LaRoche

DJ Middletent

Reuben Estes

### Interment

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Lower Brule, SD

Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD

Gavin Adam Thigh, 20, of Lower Brule, SD journeyed to the spirit world on July 24th, 2025. Gavin was born at Chamberlain, SD to Laura LaRoche and Russell Thigh on August 20th, 2004. Gavin grew up in Lower Brule, SD.

Gavin lost his mom at a young age, he then resided with his grandma Connie Bad Horse and auntie Lacey LaRoche, he later made a home with his uncle/aunt, Brian and Desiree LaRoche and family.

Gavin attended St. Joseph's Indian School from 2012-2016, then attended Lower Brule Schools and graduated from high school in May of 2023. He went onto college and attended a semester at Bismarck State College where he played basketball.

Gavin excelled in a lot of sports. He had a passion for basketball, football, softball, track & cross country. Gavin made a name for himself through sports. He was a competitor and an even better teammate. He was on the basketball team that competed at the state tournament in 2021, 2022 & 2023. He played a huge part in the team and they were State Class B Runner Up in 2022 & 2023. Gavin earned numerous awards at the state level and local level in basketball. Gavin also competed at the 2019 Class B State Cross Country Meet & he was an alternate for the 2020 Class B State Track Relay team. Gavin also played a huge part on the football team. He was a part of the All Nations inaugural season runner up team. He later was a team captain on the All Nations Championship team in 2022. He helped South Creek Relay when they called on him. Gavin also loved to fish and loved to be around family and friends.

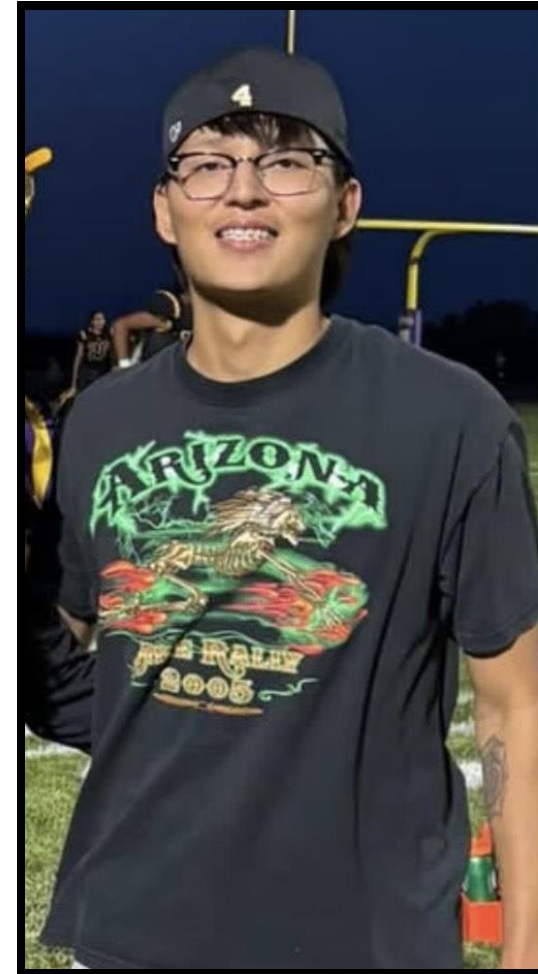
Gavin, Elliot & baby Brian had their own lawn care business in his younger life. Throughout Gavin's life, he worked for the Lower Brule Schools doing maintenance and later worked as a paraprofessional/substitute teacher for the Lower Brule Elementary School. He became a self-proclaimed barber and enjoyed cutting hair.

Gavin leaves behind his sister, Laurissa LaRoche, Lower Brule; brother, Elliot LaRoche, Fargo, ND; maternal grandma Connie Bad Horse, Lower Brule, SD; paternal grandma Carol Thigh, Lower Brule, SD; & special friend Jodene Big Crow-Hunter; and friends and family too numerous to mention but you all know who you are and how you played a role in his life.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Laura L. LaRoche and Russell Thigh; maternal grandpa Sylvester LaRoche, Jr., paternal grandpa Sam Thigh.

Gavin was a natural competitor and was very passionate at everything he did. He showed the world what he was about. If you messed around with him or anyone he loved, Gav would make sure to let you know his presence was known. He was the softest and kindest and most caring person in the world. He loved his family and friends dearly.

## *In Loving Memory Of*



*Gavin Adam Thigh*

2004 ~ 2025