

Gabriel Jerome Wilson, “Wambli Maza,” age 22, made his journey to the Star Nation on March 28, 2026.

Gabriel was born on May 12, 2003, in Pierre, South Dakota, to his loving parents, Margaret A. Wilson and Ellwyn Flute. From the very beginning, Gabriel carried a strong spirit and a kind heart that would touch many throughout his life.

He was a beloved grandson to his great grandmother, Irene Skunk, grandmothers, Wilma Wilson, Cindy Fire Cloud, and Tracy Ewing, grandfathers Merle Wilson and Kenny Madison and aunts Shary FC, Jessica Wilson and Kamela W. who loved him dearly and held a special place in his life.



He was a cherished brother to his sisters, Kiersten Aryah, and Alayna Alys Wilson, a role he held with pride, love, and dedication. Above all, Gabriel was a devoted and loving father to his five children: Virgil, Ka’Lanni, Layla, Kias, and K’nan. His children were the center of his world, and he cherished every moment spent with them.

Gabriel shared a special and meaningful bond with his nephew, Elias-Everet, who meant everything to him. He also had a lifelong, unbreakable connection with his cousin, Bo-Everet, a relationship that began at birth and remained strong throughout his life.

Gabriel was known for his unforgettable smile, his warm and respectful nature, and his ability to bring light into any room. He loved to joke, laugh, and spend time with his family and friends. He had a gift for comforting others, always ready to listen without judgment and offer support to those in need. His kindness, compassion, and selflessness defined who he was.

He attended St. Joseph Indian School, where he completed his early education, and later continued his schooling at Chamberlain High School, Lyman High School, and Lower Brule High School. During his life, Gabriel worked as both a laborer and a cook—two roles he truly enjoyed and took pride in.

Gabriel also spent time in Omaha, Nebraska, where he attended treatment at the Urban Indian Health Coalition. During his time there, he built meaningful connections and friendships, leaving a lasting impression on everyone he met. He was a light to others, even during his own challenges.

Gabriel loved watching football especially his favorite team the Minnesota Vikings. He enjoyed playing video games, basketball, and spending time with his many cousins and loved ones. His presence brought comfort, laughter, and strength to those around him.

He would give the shirt off his back even share his last cigarette. Gabriel’s generous spirit was reflected in his decision to become an organ donor, giving the gift of life to others. This final act reflects the selfless and caring person he will always be remembered as.

Gabriel was preceded in death by many dear relatives who journeyed on before him, especially his beloved auntie, January “Bouncer” Madison, whose bond with him was deeply treasured and whose love remained a lasting part of his life.

Gabriel will be deeply missed by his children, parents, sisters, grandmothers, extended family, and all who knew and loved him. Though his time here was far too short, the love he gave and the lives he touched will never be forgotten.

In Loving Memory Of

*Gabriel Jerome Wilson*

“Wanbli Maza”



**Sunrise** ~ May 12, 2003

**Sunset** ~ March 28, 2026

*Forever 22*

*“The Leaves of a tree grow side by side.  
Yet when they fall, they fall alone.”*

## **The Legacy**

*I loved my life and had great plans  
For dreams I would pursue.*

*I loved to learn and loved to work –  
So much for me to do.*

*But plans and dreams – it always seems  
Are subject to delay,  
For life can bring surprises  
That take us from our way.*

*I wanted to accomplish much –  
Perhaps do something great.  
And though I have now moved along,  
I've learned it's not too late.*

*There is a special part of me  
That helps someone to live.  
I've done something great, you see:  
I found a way to give.  
I've left a legacy  
So someone else can yet live on  
With some help from me.*

*Greater love has no one than this:  
to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

*John 15:13*

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### **Wake Services**

*St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lower Brule, SD  
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 1, 2026*

### **Funeral Service**

*St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lower Brule, SD  
10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 2, 2026*

### **Officiating**

*Father Floriber Bulo SCJ  
Father Marius Saputra SCJ  
Sisters of the Sacred Heart*

### **Casketbearers**

Coy Fire Cloud	William "Sid" Fire Cloud	
Tristan Fire Cloud	Dalton Wells	
Bo-Everet PS Flute	Kamry PS Flute	
Dirk Wells	Trenton Wilson	
Jerwyn Wilson	Ty Middletent-Wilson	
Kieran Wells	Henry Hood	
Chaske Estes	Randall Jandreau	
Chris Iron Horse	Darius White Light	
Phil Battese	Marilyn Hood	Paite St. Cloud

### **Honorary Bearers**

Too numerous to mention is the family, extended family & friends  
& all who loved & cared for him

### **Interment**

*Wilson Family Plot, Lower Brule, SD  
Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*