



### **Roses for my Mother**

If roses grow in Heaven Lord

Please pick a bunch for me,

Place them in my mother's arms

And tell her they're from me.

Tell her that I love her and miss her

And when she turns to smile,

Place a kiss upon her cheek

And hold her for awhile.

Because, remembering her is easy,

I do it everyday.

But, there is an ache within my heart,

That will never go away.

*In Loving Memory of*

# **Hilda Susan Long Crow**

*April 29, 1917 - November 16, 2020*

### **Wake Service**

*Diamond Willow Ministries, Fort Thompson, SD  
7:00 p.m., Friday, November 20, 2020*

### **Funeral Service**

*Diamond Willow Ministries, Fort Thompson, SD  
1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 21, 2020*

### **Officiating**

*Rod Vaughn*

### **Casketbearers**

*Justin Long Crow  
Chad Long Crow  
Ivan Long Crow  
Tommy Thompson Jr.*

*Daniel Long Crow  
Chad Long Crow Jr.  
Robert Ducheneaux Jr.  
Kirby McGhee*

### **Honorary Bearers**

*Marcella Big Eagle  
Elnita Rank  
Alsephine Joseph  
Theresa Voice*

*Natalie Voice*

*Juanita Harrison  
Bernadine Bishop  
Donita Loudner  
Phyllis Comes Flying*

### **Interment**

*Conkicaska Presbyterian Cemetery, Fort Thompson, SD*

**Arrangements By:** *Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*



## In Loving Memory Of

Hilda Susan McGhee Long Crow passed away at home on the evening of November 16, 2020. She died peacefully lying on her bed, surrounded by her close family, she will be dearly missed by all.

Hilda was born on April 29, 1917 at Old Fort Thompson Agency to Frank McGhee Sr. and Mercy McGhee. Hilda was the oldest of ten siblings. She was raised in the Crow Creek District on the allotment of her grandmother Susan McBride High Bear.

Hilda spent her childhood on the family ranch helping her parents run the ranch as well as helping raise her younger siblings. She learned to be humble from her mother and the stubbornness came from her dad. Even though Hilda's ancestors were the original inhabitants of this land, she wasn't able to become a citizen of the United States until June of 1924.

Hilda got to see the Dirty 30's, the grasshopper plagues, the droughts and blizzards, heat waves, floods, and the coming of electricity to the rural areas. She also witnessed the coming of the first automobile to this area at the time when the only way of transportation was previously by horse and wagon.

Hilda's education was in the local country school and boarding school then here at Old Fort Thompson and Stephan and Mission.

Hilda was married in 1946 to Ben Long Crow at St. John's Episcopal Church at Crow Creek and to this union were three sons Alvin, Bernie, and Chauncey and a daughter Rosie. Ben and Hilda adopted Ivan Medicine Crow in 1971. Hilda's husband Ben passed away in 1987.

Hilda lived most of her life in the Crow Creek District until March of 1969 when her and Ben plus family moved into the house that she currently lived at the time of her death, house #74.

Hilda was a homemaker most of her life. In her younger years she worked a few years for Frank Cable Land and Cattle Company as a cook and housekeeper in order to help support her family.

After her husband Ben passed away she worked in Fort Thompson for the Green Thumb Program for ten years as a store clerk and running the clothing store in the Golden Age Elderly Center.

Hilda is the oldest member of the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe in 2020.

Hilda was preceded in death by her parents Frank Sr. and Mercy McGhee, two younger brothers Vern Sr. and Arnold, and two younger sisters Effie and Della. Hilda recently lost two sons Robert "Bumpy" and Wayne "Flookie" McGhee.

Hilda is survived by her sons Bernard Long Crow, Alvin Long Crow, and Ivan Long Crow; daughter Rose Ducheneaux; two sisters Helen Furest and Hazel Olson; two brothers LeRoy McGhee and Frank McGhee; and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is also survived by Cookie, her grand-dog.



## Hilda Susan Long Crow

April 29, 1917

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November 16, 2020