

WAKE SERVICES

Sunday, June 2, 2024
at the residence of Lana Spence,
264 Mission Road, Opaskwayak.

Monday, June 3, 2024
2:00 pm
Margaret Henderson Parish Hall,
Opaskwayak, MB

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, June 4, 2024
1:30 pm
Church of the Redeemer,
Opaskwayak, MB
Presider: Rev. Gloria Lavallee
Music Ministry:
Russell Cook Memorial Singers

INTERMENT

St. Michael and All Angels Cemetery,
Opaskwayak, MB



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Kenneth Robert Sanderson III, son of Lana Spence and Kenneth Robert Sanderson Jr., was born at St. Anthony's Hospital in The Pas, Manitoba, on Thursday, January 10, 2008.

Ken lived in Opaskwayak Cree Nation (OCN) the first few years of his life. He then moved to Grand Rapids where his family called him GOOGOO Man. At the age of 5 he moved back to OCN with his 2 sisters Justice and Aliyah, to live with his grandparents. Later in his teenage years, he moved back to Grand Rapids with his grandparents for a little while. He then moved back home where he stayed with his mom.

Ken enjoyed participating in different events, like Opaskwayak Indian Day and various cultural camps. While he was young, he played hockey with his cousins and sisters. He also enjoyed playing soccer and he was good at basketball. In the early years, in summertime, he would travel to various places with his grandmother. The Spence family traveled to Nipawin, SK every year, as he would enjoy being around family. They would go camping, swimming and the fair (of course as he enjoyed the ride).

When he spent time with his grandparents in Grand Rapids, he enjoyed clearing the yard, working out, and fixing things. He also liked to help his grandfather Ken Sr with his boat and he would pull the anchor in for him. He also loved camping with the Sanderson family.

Ken was full of energy, strength, and patients. Ken was a very observant young man and was a good listener for those who shared with him. He was comedian and loved to joke around. He would listen to all kinds of music. When Ken would tell stories he used body language to make it interesting and exciting. Ken loved spending time on his video and would spend many hours playing them.

Ken loved his dog named Jr. and was devastated when his dog died. Jr. was his companion, best friend and protector. He enjoyed spending time with him, taking him for walks and runs.

Kenneth attended school at Joe A. Ross School and then Oscar Lathlin Colligate, at Opaskwayak Cree Nation.

One of Ken's desires was to join Bold Eagle and then the Army once he finished the Bold Eagle program. He loved to play with different kinds of tools and like the Army with all their technology and different vehicles. This is one thing he would always talk about with his dad.

A Message from Ken's Dad: One day we will meet again. For the world is full of imagination and it's full of mystery. Reincarnation comes from within and from above. This was told in a dream by his father. It might have been an angel, it might have been the Lord himself, speaking to his heart. Gone but not forgotten. Until we meet again. We love you all, so much. I won't ever stop praying, to the Lord Jesus Christ, I accept as my savior. Lord, looks down upon us hear our cries and prayers.

Ken leaves to mourn his **parents** Lana Spence and Kenneth (Jr.) Sanderson; **siblings** Justice, Aliyah, Declan, Xavier, Mckenzie; **Godparents** Elmer and Denise Turner Chris Caybak; **grandparents** Edith and George Spence, Julie and Kenneth Sanderson; **chapan** Irene Personius; **aunts and uncles** Charleen (Alex) Spence, George (Trudy) Spence, Chelsea (Danny) Spence, M. Aldrich (Juliette) Spence, Korrinna Sanderson, Jacob (Phylis) Sanderson, Alexander Sanderson, Henry (Shyanne) Sanderson, Glen Sanderson, Steven Sanderson and Jessica Sanderson; and many relatives too numerous to mention.

Ken was predeceased by his **chapan** Pat Personius, Marjorie and Wilfred Turner, Nancy and Lucien Spence, Olive and Joseph Sanderson; **uncle** Mitchell Spence; **auntie** Kelly Sanderson; **cousin** Achilles Spence and unnamed cousin (twin to Jessica). Sorry if any names where left out, it was not intentional.