

WAKE SERVICES

Sunday, December 4, 2022
297 Kiche Maskanow,
Opaskwayak, Manitoba
Monday, December 5, 2022
Veteran's Hall,
Opaskwayak, Manitoba



FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 1:00 pm
Veteran's Hall, Opaskwayak, Manitoba
Presiders: Rev. Flora Young and Rev. Kara Mandry
Music Ministry: Russell Cook Memorial Singers

INTERMENT

Emmanuel Cemetery, Opaskwayak, Manitoba

PALLBEARERS

Jamie (Jamasen) Cook, Kevin Hoksbergen,
Bubs Ellicott, Chad Cook, Greg (Fence) Lathlin,
Harold Knutson, Albert Cook, Donavin Lathlin.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Wanda McCorrister, Audrey Cable, Elaine "Chauchie" Brightnose,
Jaqueline Sinclair, Diane Sanderson, Agnes Pronteau, Elaine
"Lala" Kadachuck, Kim McKay, Janette Wilson, Louise Contois,
Marie Merasty, Betsy Head, Margaret Ross, Monica Ducharme,
Lisa McCorrister, Evelyn Lathlin, Conrad Stevenson, Valarie
Pelly, Dale Ballantyne, Tammy Courchene, Judy
Lathlin; Raiderettes team mates: Ramona "Chow" Cook, Alice
Queskekapow, Veronica Cook, Maggie Wilson, Sherri Constant,
Elaine Campbell, Sarah Jane Cook, Late Ruby Cook, Cindy
Swampy, Wanda Constant, Marlene Young, and the bat girl Mary
"Meroots" Cook. They all also played on the Big Eddy Diamonds,
all the staff of Opaskwayak Educational Services and OCN Child
and Family Services, Anglican Church Willing Workers and all her
foster children she cared for as a foster parent.



*In lieu of flowers, donations to the Sunday School Programs at the
Church of the Redeemer and Church of Messiah, would be
appreciated by Veronica's family.*



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*In Loving Memory of
Our Mom, Kookum (Kookoo), Auntie,
Sister and Beloved Wife*

Veronica "Frog" Lathlin

December 14, 1965—November 26, 2022



Our mom Veronica was born on Tuesday, December 14, 1965 at St Anthony's Hospital, The Pas, Manitoba, to the late Helen and Leslie Cook. Mom resided on Opaskwayak Cree Nation all her life. Big Eddy was where she lived with the late Reverend Gordon and Muriel McGillivary.

In mom's earlier years of education, she attended the Big Eddy Nursery School and then at the Little Red Brick School in the town of The Pas and went to Opasquia School, Scott Bateman and MBCI, she was always proud was well educated, she obtained her health care aid certificate in

Brandon. Completed her Early Child Education 2 in 1995. She also completed a management program. In 2019 she was very determined to complete her grade 12 and graduated at Oscar Lathlin Collegiate.

In her younger years, mom played fastball with the RADIERETTE's, alongside a few of her sisters. She also played slow pitch and taught and coached her nieces and nephews how to play the game she loved so much.

Mom was "teacher" for the past thirty years of her life, she completed her ECE and started working in the daycare program at the Hilda Young Child Care Center and soon took over as the Nursery teacher where she taught for 20 plus years. Later moved to Joe A Ross School. Mom taught two generations of children. Those children were very happy to know that she would be teaching their children. She was known by most of the children of OCN as teacher and kookoo. She was able to teacher her grandchild and her own children as they attended the HYCCC and JAR's. She loved every holiday and made it memorable for her students and their families.

On September 16, 1994, she married the love of her life Ken (Kwivy) Lathlin. Together they raised 5 beautiful children, along two foster children and 11 grandchildren. Mom poured all her love into her grandchildren and would go to great lengths to be there for all their birthdays and celebrations. Throughout their marriage they attended church, that is where she began teaching Sunday school in Big Eddy alongside Muriel.

Mom always welcomed her nieces, nephews and foster children into her home with a warm embrace. She was an advocate for all children, she spoke up when she had to voice any concerns or any events she was a part of. Mom was an empathetic person who would give her last dollar to those in need. Mom was always giving good advice to her family and friends. She cared for her family and provided them with everything that was needed to sustain a livelihood.

A family vacation was taken to Orlando, Florida. It was made possible through Kenneth's heart condition with the "Make a Wish Foundation" and the family had a wonderful time with their brother bear.

When it came to her family, she always remembered them during Christmas and especially their birthdays she would have a cake and something to eat. She would make sure everyone would get a gift and try to capture every moment with her camera. She never left home without her camera. She made so many trips to see family and friends graduate, get married, attend what ever special event they were happening.

Family gatherings consisted of cooking outdoors and celebrating Christmas with family and friends by playing games. Laughter would be heard throughout the whole house. These memories will be cherished forever by all the hearts mom touched with her big beautiful heart.

Mom loved travelling, she loved visiting all her family. She would show up late at night just to make sure she visited you. She would have a good visit. Lots of memories were made with tons of laughter. She would take family to visit extended family every summer or holiday.

Frog is survived by her **husband** Ken; **daughters** Carmelle (Kevin), Kaila (Bubs), Shania (Gordie) and Muriel; **foster children** Freya and Ricky Bobby; **grandchildren** McKenna, Kenneth, Kevin Jr, Tyrone, Connelly, Cali, Camille, Rubina, Kinsley Belle, Requel, Briar, Brielle and baby Gordie; **sisters** Sylvia (Raymond) Sarah Jane, Sandra (David), Wilma, Mary (Gilbert), Linda (Elaine), Delia, Madeline, Irene; **sisters-in-law** Joan (Robbie), Donna (Bill), Peggy, Pauline Cook; **brothers** Freddy, Daniel (Charlene), and Conrad; **brothers-in-law** Delbert Lavallee, Gerald (Margaret), John (Nadine) and Joe (Helen). Frog had numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews too many to mention.

Frog was predeceased by her one and only **son** Kenneth Vincent Lathlin; **parents** Leslie and Helen Cook and Rev. Gordon and Muriel McGillivary; **brothers**

David (Beam), Lester and David (Nigs); **sisters** Rosina and Ruby; and many relatives and friends too numerous to mention. If we forgot anyone it was not intentional.

