



Bert Henry Kleidon

September 26, 1943 - September 22, 2018

Bert Henry Kleidon, 74 year old Fairland, OK resident passed away on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at his home.

Bert was born on September 26, 1943 in Peoria to William and Rosa (King) Kleidon. He was a retired machinist. Bert was 2nd Chief of the Ottawa Tribe and a Gaming Commissioner of High Winds Casino. He loved his motorcycle, his scooter and enjoyed life to the fullest. Everyone who knew him has a “Bert Story”. Bert loved his family and his church. He aggravated and teased everyone. He wouldn’t want anyone to mourn him but to celebrate his life.

Bert’s favorite saying was ... “Life was not meant to be a journey to the grave in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in broadsided, thoroughly used up, totally worn out and loudly proclaiming ... “Wow! What a ride!”

Bert was preceded in death by his parents, William and Rosa Kleidon and one grandson, Weston Case.

He is survived by his wife, Deborah (Doll) Kleidon; two sisters, Patricia Meintal of Fairland, OK, and Joyce Nichols and husband Bob of Centennial, CO; seven children, Greg and Joanne Kleidon of Ft. Worth, TX, Kenney and Brandi Case of Joplin, MO, Steve and Shawna Grigsby of Bella Vista, AR,

Teddi Grigsby of Joplin, MO, Randy and Kim Brasfield of Webb City, MO, Brandi Grigsby of Joplin, MO, and Cody and Lindsey Grigsby of Joplin, MO; 11 grandchildren; 10 great- grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Memorial Services will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 2:00 pm at First Christian Church, Miami, OK. Interment will follow at Ottawa Indian Cemetery. Indian rites will take place at the graveside. Visitation will be held at 1:00 pm on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at the church. Pastor Jerad Joslin officiating. Serving the family as casket bearers are Patrick Grigsby, Aaron Grigsby, Kyle Keeter, Aaron Kleidon, Coby Case, Jeremy Case and Mason Grigsby.

Cemetery Details

Ottawa Indian Cemetery

61400 E 115 RD
Miami, OK 74354

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church of Miami
2424 North Main
Miami, OK 74354
(918) 542-9816
<http://www.fccmiamiok.com>

Tribute Wall

NJ

“ So sorry to here about Bert's passing he was one of a kind, enjoyed attending meetings with him when he was Second Chief of the Ottawa Tribe.

Norman Hildebrand, Jr. - October 10, 2018 at 09:46 AM

Grayce Miller

“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Wish we could be with you to celebrate a life well lived but our thoughts and prayers are with you. Enjoy sharing stories and precious memories with your family during this bittersweet time.

Grayce Miller - September 24, 2018 at 09:58 AM

Linda Montgomery

“ Bert was one of the nicest people I had ever met and it was a pleasure to serve on the tribal committees with him. My prayers and thoughts are with him and his family.

Linda Montgomery - September 22, 2018 at 10:12 PM

Linda Montgomery

“ Linda Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Bert Henry Kleidon



Linda Montgomery - September 22, 2018 at 10:01 PM

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“ *Frank and I send you all our deepest Sympathy and Prayers. May our Loving God Comfort you in the way that only HE can. Will be at the service If Frank is feeling ok . Love and Hugs to all of you.*

Frank and Helen Skaggs

Helen Skaggs - September 22, 2018 at 07:57 PM