Anthony Michael Villebrun Sr., age 55, of White Earth, MN, passed away on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fargo, ND.

Anthony was born on June 2, 1962, the seventh child to Raymond and Beryl (Beaupre) Villebrun, in Minneapolis, MN. He grew up in Minneapolis and moved to White Earth in 1981, where he met the love of his life, Rebecca “Jumbo” Lynn Azure Villebrun. They married in 1988, and the couple returned to Minneapolis where he attended M.I.T. for automotive tech. While in school he worked for Film Tech in Minneapolis. The couple moved back to White Earth in the summer of 1993, and he took work in building maintenance at the Shooting Star Casino in Mahnomen. He remarried in 2006 to Courtney Shaide-Villebrun.

Anthony enjoyed spending time with his kids and grandchildren: fishing, cooking -out, dancing, watching football, and basketball. He loved making his children happy. Big Anthony cared for his mother until her passing in 2015. Anthony was always a big brother and uncle to many.

He is survived by his children: Tonya Jo Azure of White Earth, William “Billy” Libby Jr. of White Earth, Tony Micheal Villebrun of White Earth, Kristopher Lee Villebrun Sr. of White Earth, Clarissa Rose Villebrun of White Earth, Victoria Villebrun of Waubun, Anthony Michael Villebrun III, Michael Kristopher Villebrun; and two children he raised as his own, Vanessa Hanks of Waubun, and David Arthur Jr. of Fargo, ND; siblings: Gregory Villebrun of Minneapolis, Karre Villebrun of Crookston, Stefi Villebrun of Minneapolis, and Raymond Villebrun Jr. of Twin Valley; nine grandchildren: Aimee, Tierra, Breanna, Jeanette, Cadence, Tayveyah, Kristopher Jr., Benaceio, and Becca Lynn. Many Family and Friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Beryl; siblings, Darcy Villebrun, Cheri Stoa Villebrun, and Charlie Beaupre. His first wife, Rebecca, and his grandmother, Margaret (Sigadoo) Williams.
In Loving Memory

Anthony Michael Villebrun Sr.

June 2, 1962 ~ May 1, 2018

Mass of Christian Burial
Monday – May 7, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.
St. Benedicts Catholic Church
White Earth, Minnesota
Father Joe Hitpas, Officiating

Music
Bruce Engebretson

Casket Bearers
Gregory “Gluggie” Ashley, Rick Stoa, Jamie “Honker” Bevins Jr.
David Phillips, Michael “Mike” Azure Sr.
Robert “Half Pint” Azure Sr., and Jeremy Helmin

Honorary Bearers
Anthony “Lil Anthony” Villebrun, Nicholas “Nick” Scares the Hawk
Jeff Azure, Jeremy Azure Sr., Thomas “Tom” Azure Sr.,
Joseph “Joe” Azure and Anthony’s Close and Dear Friends

Interment
Calvary Cemetery
White Earth, Minnesota

God looked around His garden and found an empty place. He then looked down upon the earth and saw your loving face.

He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest, God’s garden must be beautiful; Because he only picks the best

A million times we’ll miss you a million times we’ll cry
If love could have saved you, you never would have died.

In life we loved you dearly, in death we love you still. In our hearts you hold a special place, No one could ever fill.

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn’t go alone. For part of us went with you the day God called you home.

In God’s garden it must be beautiful; Because he only picks the best