

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Friday, August 21, 2020

1:00 pm

Chapel of

Hemauer Funeral Home,

The Pas, Manitoba

Presider: Rev. Flora Young

Music: Russell Cook

Memorial Singers

INTERMENT

Emmanuel Cemetery,

Opaskwayak, Manitoba

*In lieu of flowers, donations to
The Pas and Area Animal Shelter Incorporated,
Box 4079, The Pas, Manitoba, R9A 1S2,
would be appreciated by Stella's family.*



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In Loving Memory



In Loving Memory of

Irene Stella Chief

June 19, 1964—August 14, 2020



Stella was born on Friday, June 19, 1964, in The Pas, Manitoba to parents Lucinda McGillivary and Gilbert Chief. She was the youngest of 5 siblings.

Stella is survived by her children Michael Nicholas Chief (Brenda) and Nicole Ducharme-Chief (Shawn); grandchildren Nicholas, Alexis and Chloe Chief; siblings Noreen Olson, Glenda Chief, Arthur Chief, and Gloria Taylor. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins and her beloved Chihuahua Buddy.

Most of her family roots sprouted from Big Eddy in OCN, and this was something she was very proud of. "315, Big Eddy!" She would always say whenever asked for her treaty number. Stella often spoke of these family roots sprouted from Cumberland House, Saskatchewan and other various areas that she lived throughout her life.

Stella was always a beloved caretaker for her family and everyone who knew her. She would recall many stories of her childhood growing up in surrounding areas of Opaskwayak Cree Nation/The Pas.

She lived a full life as a wonderful mother, grandmother and homemaker. She enjoyed cooking, cleaning, and kept an immaculate house. She was always known for her neatness and tidiness. The family will always remember her for the way she kept everything so clean and comfortable. Stella was one that was rarely ever still, always on the go from the time she woke up until the time she went to bed.

During her free time, she enjoyed going for walks to visit friends. She enjoyed playing Bingo and watching her two favourite sports teams, the Winnipeg Jets and the Toronto Blue Jays.

Over the years, she developed many relationships travelling throughout the North, which led to many great friendships and loving memories. She always reminded everyone to buy their lotto tickets because "You really never know" or "Your luck could change!"

Stella loved her muskeke, which was something she and her daughter Nicole often bonded over. She loved her daughter very much. They were best friends who did almost everything together.

Stella was always a symbol of strength to many, and will always be remembered for her honest advise, her genuine kindness, and her unconditional giving.

After a courageous battle with Cancer, Stella passed away peacefully Friday, August 14, 2020, at the Rod McGillivary Memorial Care Home, at the age of 56 years. Her kindhearted spirit will be missed by all.

Stella was predeceased by her mother Lucinda McGillivary; father Gilbert Chief; partner Glenn Ducharme and brother Rod Chief.

