



WAKE SERVICE

Friday September 11, 2020

7:00 PM

Margaret Henderson Parish Hall,
Opaskwayak, MB

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday September 12, 2020

1:00 PM

Church of the Redeemer,
Opaskwayak, MB

Presider: Rev. Gloria Lavallee

INTERMENT

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Emmanuel Cemetery OCN

PALLBEARERS

Phoenix, Sanderson, Damin Sangwais Merasty,
Francis Dieter, Dane Sawatzky, Garnet Easter,
Colton Cook, Jeremy McLeod,
Albert Dieter Merasty.

HONOURARY PALLBEARERS

Alice and Ralph Qeskekapow,
Marie and Alvin Merasty,
Isaac Cook, Patricia Merasty,
The Cook Family, The Merasty Family,
The Easter Family, The Sawatzky Family,
The Sangwais Family, The Beardy Family,
The Dubois Family, The Dieter Merasty family,
And Jeff's nieces and nephews.

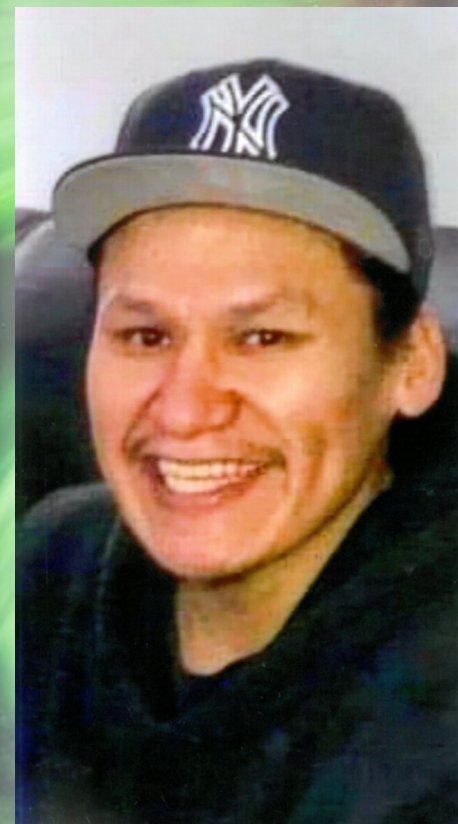
*In lieu of flowers donations to a charity of
choice would be appreciated by Jeffreys family*



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In loving memory of
Jeffrey Lance Sangwais
Thunderbird Child

April 9, 1985 - September 3, 2020



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Jeffrey Lance Sangwais was born in Regina, Saskatchewan on Tuesday April 9, 1985. He was from Sakimay First Nation. He met Lesley Merasty 21 years ago, the love of his life. Together they were raising their children, Damin, Carlos, Karmin, Kessel, and Kendall.

Jeff loved to cook. One of his specialties was bannock, which his grandmother taught him to bake. He was very helpful around the house and liked to clean. He would start every morning by blasting tunes in order to get the day started.

Jeff was a friendly, outgoing person. Whenever he met someone, he always gave a fake name like Raoul, because he didn't like the name the Government gave him. He did however like his spirit name, Thunderbird Child. Jeff was a very good story teller. He would often tell stories of his life and use those stories to try and help young people. He

was asked on several occasions to share his stories to help youth at risk.

Even through his hardships, Jeff always had a positive outlook on life and always tried to improve his lifestyle. He loved to attend sweats and was walking on the red road. He was a good helper and never complained. Whenever someone asked him to do something he would always jump up and do it. He was very respectful in nature, a prime example of his respectfulness is whenever Grandpa Isaac needed something done around the house, he would jump to it and say there you go Sir.

One of Jeff's Favorite pastimes was watching sports, such as hockey and football. His favorite teams were the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Saskatchewan Rough Riders. He often made friendly sports wagers with friends. He also liked to buy sports select and watch UFC.

Jeff enjoyed spending time at the beach with his kids and family where he would play volleyball. He worked at the OCN shell, Tim Hortons, Jays moving freight, and was also a tree planter and sandbagger.

Jeffrey passed away unexpectedly with family by his side, Thursday, September 3, 2020 at St. Anthony's Hospital, The Pas, Manitoba, at the age of 35 years.

Jeffrey will be sadly missed by his soulmate Lesley Merasty; his children Damin, Carlos, Karmin, Kessel, and Kendall Sangwais Merasty; He is survived by his grandmother Alice Sangwais; brothers Marlon Sangwais (Chelsea), William Sangwais; sisters Alicia Sangwais, Alana Dubois (Josh), His only Godchild Faith Cook and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jeffrey is predeceased by his mother Iona Sangwais; his father Emile Dubois; grandfather Ernest Sangwais; aunty Emma Cook; father-in-law Albert Merasty; in-laws Elise and Emile Merasty; family members Delilah Lebouf, Bonnie Goodwin, Ernesta Sangwais, Delia Sangwais, Nadine Sangwais, Lynette Sangwais, John Debois, Lorne Sangwais. If we forgot anyone it was not intentional.