



Ernest Sam Sr.

December 25, 1962 - December 22, 2014

Ernest Sam, Sr. Wa-we-ya-ca-me-ga-bo, 51 year old resident of Onamia, MN passed away on Monday, December 22, 2014 at the Mille Lacs Health System in Onamia, MN. A funeral ceremony will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, December 26, 2014 at the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Community Center on the Mille Lacs Reservation. Interment will be in Vineland Cemetery. Visitation will be held starting at 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 25, 2014 at the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Community Center on the Mille Lacs Reservation.

Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Onamia.

Ernest Eugene Sam, Sr. was born on December 25, 1962 in Onamia, Minnesota to Ben Sam and Elfreda Weyaus. He was recently united in marriage to Sandra Panachyse on June 22, 2012 in Mille Lacs. Ernest enjoyed the outdoors and spent his time hunting, fishing, and playing basketball. He was very talented at dancing, singing, feather work, beading, playing pool and darts. He cared for and trained animals as well as horseback riding. He loved his craft as a carpenter. He was a painter and designer for dancing regalia.

Ernest Sam, Sr. is survived by Sandra; mother, Elfreda Sam; sons, Ernie Sam, Jr., Ezra Sam, Ethan Olson; daughters, Maria Sam, Samantha Sam, Kyla (Jeron Ashford) Sam; brothers, Robert Sam (Kegg) Sr., Steve (Roberta Lemieux) Sam; sisters, Bernice Pewaush, Bonita (Donald) White; grandchildren, Destiny Hastings, David Hastings, Miles Davenport, Aaliyah Davenport, Gia Sam, Wa-se-a-ka Davenport, Nyssa Bellanger, Craig

Bellanger, Jr., Mya Ashford.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ben Sam; grandparents, Jennie Weyaus, Ole Weyaus, Julia Sam, Pete Sam; and brother, Mike Sam.

Cemetery Details

Vineland Cemetery

Utopia Road
Onamia, MN 56359

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **25**. 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM (CT)

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Community Center
43500 Virgo Road
Onamia, MN 56359

Service

DEC **26**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Community Center
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Onamia, MN 56359

Tribute Wall



“ *Ernest Sam Sr.*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Thoughts and Prayers! Ernie will be missed by many. He was a great guy and friend...I remember many fun times!*



Melissa Freeman - December 26, 2014 at 06:25 PM



“ *Condolences, hugs & prayers to all the family... Donna & joe jr*



Donna Bc - December 26, 2014 at 01:35 PM



“ *SENDING MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY*



DEANNA BULLCHILD - December 26, 2014 at 09:53 AM



“ *Bimibattoo Inini lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.*



Bimibattoo Inini - December 25, 2014 at 04:42 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss I will keep you in my prayers and thoughts.*



Sharon Barten - December 25, 2014 at 02:16 PM



“ *Juliet White lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.*



Juliet White - December 25, 2014 at 11:44 AM



RIP Ern, thinking of the family - sending my deepest Condolences <3

Juliet White - December 25, 2014 at 11:46 AM

PE

“ Pamela Eagle lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.



Pamela Eagle - December 25, 2014 at 12:22 AM

CH

“ Carol Hernandez lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.



Carol Hernandez - December 25, 2014 at 12:16 AM

BS

“ Bernice Seymour lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.



Bernice Seymour - December 24, 2014 at 11:20 PM

VS

“ Virginia Louise Sam lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.



Virginia Louise Sam - December 24, 2014 at 02:06 PM

TA

“ *Tania Aubid lit a candle in memory of Ernest Sam Sr.*



tania aubid - December 24, 2014 at 12:46 PM

TA

*The flicker of the flame tells me its one heck of a conest jam in the sky
...you will dance on...fly high cousin*

tania aubid - December 24, 2014 at 12:55 PM



“ *Let It Snow was purchased for the family of Ernest Sam Sr..*



December 24, 2014 at 08:24 AM