



Kalen Nickaboine

August 20, 1959 - October 22, 2009

Kalen was born on August 20, 1959 in Onamia, Minnesota to William Nickaboine, Jr. and Bette (Boyd). As a young boy, Kalen dreamed of being a jet airplane pilot in the military. On September 29, 1979 he fulfilled that dream and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He was awarded his Honorable Discharge on April 29, 1983. Kalen has been a familiar face around Grand Casino Mille Lacs since they opened in 1991. he has held positions working as a slot technician, video technician, slot supervisor, assistant slot manager, casino host, and he was currently an executive host. Kalen enjoyed golfing, fishing, and watching movies with his family and friends.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife Luvae Nickaboine of Garrison, MN; mother, Bette Sam of Onamia, MN; sons, Jon Nickaboine of Onamia, MN, William Nickaboine of Onamia, MN; step-son, Alex Guzy of Seattle, WA; daughters, Jo Denise Nickaboine of Onamia, MN, Samantha Nickaboine of Aitkin, MN, Judith Shaugobay of Minneapolis, MN; step-daughters, Trisha & Cassandra Guzy both of Garrison, MN; brothers, Julian (Jennifer) Nickaboine of Bismark, ND, Arlyn (Krystel) Sam of McGregor, MN; step-brothers, Henry Sam of Minneapolis, MN, Curtiss Sam of Isle, MN, Jeffrey Sam of Onamia, MN; sisters, Diane Nickaboine of Onamia, MN, Joni (Edward) Fox of Brainerd, MN; step-sisters, Doreen Sam of Wahkon, MN, Shawna Sam of Minneapolis, MN; and many loving grandchildren; and Kevin Boyd, his cousin and "brother". many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

He was Preceded in death by his father, William Nickaboine; step-father,

Henry Sam, Sr.; brother, Sterling Nickaboine; step-sister, Alvina Sam; and his grandparents.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25.** 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

OCT **26.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kalen Nickaboine*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *I knew Kalen slightly from the casino and he always was courteous and friendly to me. My sympathy to his family and friends.*

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“ *I would like to send my deepest sympathy to Kalen's family and children, especially little Samantha (Sam) who is my cousin, on here Mothers side. Kalen was a very nice fella and always had a smile when ever our paths crossed. Whether at his home or at his job, he was there with that smile. I will miss seeing you at the casino Kalen. Our family will always love and cherish your little girl Samatha, she is a precious little one with here Daddy's looks, and that wonderfull smile too! May the Great Spirit welcome you home with loving open arms. I will miss you Kalen. To Kalen's Mother, I am so very sorry for the great loss of your son. I pray your heart finds peace and comfort through this very hard time. Take care, my thoughts are with you and Little Samatha. With Love and Respect,*

Yvonne Norris##imported-begin##Yvonne Norris##imported-end##

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