



Lillian Garbow

October 10, 1935 - January 1, 2010

Biindigaingabawiikwe, Lillian was born on October 10, 1935 in Onamia, Minnesota to Joseph and Mary (Littlewolf) Benjamin. She attended school and lived with her family on the Mille Lacs Reservation. Lillian was united in marriage to Roy Leonard Garbow. She was a Head Start instructor and later an Ojibwe language teacher for many years at the Abinojiiyag Lower School. Lillian was a life long learner, whether it was listening to Native American music, attending pow-wows or sharing stories of her childhood with others. She enjoyed working on puzzles, watching television, and movies with her family. Lillian looked forward to celebrating family birthdays, gatherings, and holidays. Feeding the rabbits and birds that visited her feeders brought joy to her days. Lillian will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by her sons, Roger (Beverly) Garbow, Sr., Peter Garbow, and Adrian Garbow, all of Onamia, MN; daughters, Ruth Garbow, Lorna Garbow and her fiancé, Steven Hanks, Wanda (Lawrence, Sr.) Nickaboine all of Onamia, MN; brother, Arthur Benjamin of Onamia, MN; sisters, Joan Littlewolf of Isle, MN, Mary Rose Garbow, Arvina Benjamin, Gladys Benjamin all of Onamia, MN; 14 grandsons; 13 granddaughters; 13 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary (Littlewolf) Benjamin; sons, Kevin, Harvey, & Virgil Garbow; daughter, Brenda Garbow; brothers, Wallace Benjamin, Robert Benjamin, Paul Benjamin, Dennis Hill; sister, Lita Mae Nickaboine; great-grandson, Bud Hunter Luv Garbow.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lillian Garbow*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. May the great spirit give you comfort at this sad time.
My sympathy to you all.##imported-begin##Bonnie Faust##imported-end##*

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“ *Deepest sympathy##imported-begin##Ron & Gladys Smith##imported-end##*

January 05, 2010 at 11:44 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your great loss, Lillian was a friend of mine from the lower school. It had been a while since we worked together, but she was still a good friend, that I will never forget. Always friendly and out going and always had that wonderful smile on her face when ever we would run into each other.##imported-begin##Alice Frazier##imported-end##*

January 05, 2010 at 09:39 PM