



## Anderson L. Dyer

September 30, 1962 - May 21, 2022

Anderson L. Dyer (nashdoii) walked on from this life on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Oklahoma City, OK. Anderson is a proud member of the Navajo Nation. He was born on September 30, 1962 at Shiprock, New Mexico into the Tachiinii (Red Running into Water Clan) born for Tabaaha (Water Edge Clan). Anderson was dearly loved by his parents, Lucille and Morris Dyer and his family. Anderson attended Navajo Methodist Mission at Farmington, New Mexico. In 1976, as a teenager, he and the family moved to Miami, OK where he attended and graduated from Miami High School. During his time in Junior High and High School he excelled in running track and discovered his artistic abilities. Following graduation he became a U.S. Marine Corps 1st Marine Brigade and served his country from 1980-1985 during the Cold War Era. His military service was in honor and respect to his grandfather, Leslie Hemstreet, who was a Navajo Code Talker during WWII. Upon an honorable discharge from the Marines, as a Corporal, he received an Associate's Degree in Laboratory Medical Technology from Northeastern State A&M College in 1989 at Miami, OK. He later attended Pittsburg State University at Pittsburg, Kansas and received his Bachelors of Science in Education Degree in Health Education from Northern Arizona University at Flagstaff, Arizona in 2000. During and following his years in college he was a member of the Oklahoma and Arizona National Guard from 1991 -2009. Anderson was an accomplished native artist including painting and woodworking. He was a talented, compassionate and humane person who would help people in need. His

passion was to assist Native communities through health education of diabetes, the elderly and infant health. Anderson also enjoyed attending local Pow Wows and working as a vendor of Native American artwork. He was a servant of God and a member of Grace Christian Fellowship Church in Anadarko, OK. He is survived by: His mother, Lucille Dyer, Anadarko, OK His daughter, Maria Nez, Anadarko, OK His sister Marcelin R. Ober and husband John of Claremore, Oklahoma His brother Art Thomas Jr. and wife Marla of Showlow, Arizona Nephews and Niece: Elijah Pate, Deja Elizabeth Brady and Jared Pate He leaves behind numerous aunties and uncles and cousins He is preceded in death by his grandparents: Leslie and Elizabeth Hemstreet, his father Morris Dyer and his sister Clorinda June Hearder. Pallbearers will be David Hemstreet Jr., Duane Hemstreet, Ralph Hemstreet, Jonathan Hemstreet Jr., Darryl Hemstreet, Thomas Hemstreet, Darwin Hemstreet and Daniel Russell. Honorable pallbearers are Art Thomas, Aevan Thomas, Wyatt Thomas, Elijah Pate, Jared Pate and John Ober Anderson will be greatly missed by his family and those who loved him. OOrahh!!! Visitation will be 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services with Military honors and burial will be at the Hemstreet Family Plot on the Navajo Nation Reservation at Crystal, New Mexico. A reception will follow. Services are under the direction of Smith Funeral Home, Anadarko, OK. Messages of condolences may be sent to the family at [www.smithfuneralservices.com](http://www.smithfuneralservices.com)

# Tribute Wall

JG

“ *Dearest Anderson... Our memories of you are so much more precious now that we realize that you have moved on from this life, to the land of eternal peace.*

*I regret so much that we lost touch with you when we moved. Our questions of why we couldn't reach you were answered when something told us that we should search another way to find you, and found your obituary.*

*We will always remember your kindness, your caring, your good heart, and the laughter that we shared over the years.*

*You were like a brother to me and an Uncle to my son for over 30 years, and a friend to all of our little group in Pittsburg.*

*Being your neighbor in Pittsburg, sharing mutton stew with you, and your talking to my son about all of the things a young boy was interested in, going canoeing in Tahlequah, and meeting up with you at Pow Wows are some of the most wonderful memories we all shared.*

*What I wouldn't give for you to call me up and read the Bible to me in Navajo once again.*

*We will always treasure our memories of you my friend. It was such an honor to know you. My family sends their love to you with their prayers. I know that you are walking in beauty in the great beyond my friend.*

*From Janiece Hemphill Gaither, Nathan Mangile and his family, and all of the Hemphills, and the Hughes boys.*

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**Janiece Hemphill Gaither** - January 05, 2025 at 12:50 AM

BJ

“ My friend and fellow Devil Dog, Anderson! Yes, we love you and grieve for you. You made a good impression on myself and your fellow veterans at the Oklahoma City VA Medical Center Warriors Group, seems like around 2005. You stayed with me several times in OKC when you had National Guard duty. We had one serious conversation at the Fort Sill Apache ceremonials, five or six years ago. I have the little carved alligator that you gave me that evening on my dresser. You were a good looking Marine! I know that you are in your heavenly home that is so beautiful that no words can describe! Heh gau bohn thau (Now then, I will see you again) Blas

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**Blas Preciado Jr.** - May 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM