



## Milburn Steve Littleman

September 1, 1935 - May 1, 2012

Milburn Steve Littleman will be at 1:00 P.M., Friday, May 4, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church in Anadarko, Oklahoma. The Wake service will be at 7:00 P. M., Thursday, May 3, 2012 at the Ware's Chapel at Hog Creek. Interment will be in Memory Lane Cemetery, Anadarko, Oklahoma. He was born to Milburn Steve, Sr. and Winifred (Paddlety) Littleman on September 1, 1935, and passed from this life in the early morning of Tuesday, April 29, 2012. Steve Littleman was a proud member of the Kiowa and Cheyenne Tribes of Oklahoma. He had a strong desire to keep his tribal heritage alive. He accomplished this through research, daily practice and living the Kiowa Way. Steve was a singer, Indian drummer and traditional storyteller, He was a fluent Kiowa language speaker and shared his knowledge with young people. He served as a consultant/presenter of American Indian culture, history and traditional music with the University of Oklahoma School of Music. His knowledge and experience of traditional Indian culture led to him to serve as an Artist in Residence with the Oklahoma State Arts Council. Steve received his Bachelors of Arts Degree in Education from Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, Oklahoma. He completed graduate work at the Masters level in Education Administration and in Guidance/counseling at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona and the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma. He retired from a professional career in education. His experience in education was as an administrator, teacher, counselor and consultant. He served on the Board of Directors for the

Jacobson Foundation Art Center, located on the University of Oklahoma campus. He served as the leader/director of the Oklahoma Fancy Dancers, a professional Dance Troupe based in Oklahoma City. The troupe provides dance performances throughout Oklahoma, surrounding states and Europe. He was the first American Indian selected as a member of the American Traditions Program, a national arts program for traditional artists. He traveled throughout the United States and Europe as cultural presenter, singer and dancer troupe leader. Traditional crafts items created by Steve can be found in European countries as well as throughout the United States. He is a member of the Kiowa Gourd Clan and the Kiowa Black Leggings Warrior Society. He serves as the Master of Ceremonies at the annual Kiowa Black Leggings Ceremonies. Steve was an avid OU Sooner football fan. He watched all the games and had quite a collection of OU memorabilia. Steve was a loving husband, father, grandfather (gramps), brother, Segee, friend and relative to all who knew him. He is survived by Judy, his wife of 32 years, three sons, Yancy Littleman of Eufala, Kevin Connywerdy and wife Cricket, David Connywerdy and his wife Pat of Stecker, one daughter, Cheryl Connywerdy of rural Ft. Cobb, grandchildren, Ben, Angelyn, Sokobi and Thaumie Connywerdy, Taylor and Victoria Littleman, Teresa Sumka, Polly, Daviaann and Sage Connywerdy, numerous nieces, inlaws, extended family members and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, Claudia, Freida and Ruth Littleman.

# Tribute Wall

PR

“ From our family, prayers to you and May Daw-Kee grant you some comfort in the coming days.

Patrick V. Redbird - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ He will be looking down upon you from heaven.  
Melody

Melody Goad - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ Judy and family,  
Thinking of you with heartfelt sympathy and pray that God's healing touch will bring you peace.

Brenda Bowman Lovin - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ You will be greatly missed by all.

Sandie Paddety Chapman - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ We will miss you. You have been a part of my life since I was a little girl. You were a kind person and I appreciated it. You enjoyed my Tarzana yell and I have done the last yell for you. Peace and comfort I wish and pray for your family and loved ones that remain and will miss you each and every day.

Roberta Paddlety Hiltbrand - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Steve was the best and adopted father we ever had. We will miss him very much!! Our thoughts and prayers our with you Yancy and your family.  
From your Arizona Family

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**The Bob Family** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Our hearts and thoughts go out to the family. Sonny will be missed.

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**Phillip and Sharon Kaulaity** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Steve was a great person whose service to his family, heritage and God will be greatly missed.

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**Rinah Coker** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My sweet Uncle has always been a very special person to me. He's been there for every important event in my life. I'll miss calling him on his birthday, and the special way we greeted each other, with a kiss. Aunt Judy and Yancy, I love you and thank you for sharing such a wonderful man!!-- Binks

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**Robin Choney** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ My prayers go-up for you Judy, family and friends. While we lost a wonderful person here below, Heaven gained a beautiful soul who is now blessing the Holy Kingdom with the sound of song and drum. All nations of mankind are gathering 'round greeting and singing with Steve; no race matters here. Because all saints are fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of The Creator. Aho! Megwetch! Wado!

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**Darlene Jackson** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CY

“ My Cheyenne prayers have been said for Steve's spiritual journey and his family.

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**Cheyenne Chief Gordon Yellowman** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Me and my family were so sorry to hear of Steve's passing. He was a good and funny man that will be greatly missed by all. My sons Jason and Kyle Pacheco were in a couple of shows that Steve had done at OU. He and his family also camped by us at Carnegie during 4th of July. My family would like to give condolences and prayers to his family. May he rest in peace.

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**Sanah Scott** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM