



## Thomas Tonemah

May 9, 1941 - December 6, 2017

Thomas Tonemah, age 76 was born May 9, 1941 to William and Katherine Anquoe Tonemah in Mountain View, OK and was called by the Lord on December 6, 2017. Thomas grew up in Mountain View, OK and in Northern California. He moved back to OKC in the 1950's and traveled with a musical group called "Up With People" for several years. Thomas joined the Navy in the 1960's. He continued his education at USAO in Chickasha earning a Bachelors Degree in Speech Pathology. Thomas was also a member of the Kiowa Gourd Clan. Left to cherish his memory are brothers William Tonemah and Diana of OKC, OK and Lanny Quoetone of Reno, NV, one sister LaUna Cable of OKC, OK. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Beverly Quoetone. Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM, Wednesday December 13, 2017 at the Smith Funeral Home Chapel Anadarko with Rev. Julienne Judd and Rev Alvin Deer officiating. Burial to follow in the Anquoe Cemetery , Mountain View, OK. Services are under the direction of Smith Funeral Home, Anadarko, OK. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.smithfuneralservices.com](http://www.smithfuneralservices.com)

# Tribute Wall

GS

“ We knew Thomas or "Tommy" from Haskell days and was a family friend of ours in Taos, NM. I didn't know of his passing. We last saw him in Carnegie in 2014.

Gilbert Suazo - June 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ I'm Tommy's niece and I was so proud of him. He gave me my Kiowa name. I wish I could hear him talk about his younger days and hear his wisdom again. He was a good, kind man and my heart will always be sad that he is no longer with us, but I know he is with our ancestors and happy.



Mae Ann - May 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I am sorry to see Tommy go...

Kedron Benham - December 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Such a sweet kiowa man..just saw him at Remington...so sorry will miss you...your laughter and always talking kiowa makes me smile!!!

Betty Tsatoke - December 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ MICHELLE EMERSON

*I just now read of your demise in the newspaper and was very sad to read this. What a sweet and compassionate man you were that possessed such a lovely spirit. Journey well my friend and until I see you and others down the road- thank you for the friendship and laughs.*



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**Michelle Emerson** - December 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ *I will remember Tommy always for his respectfulness, his good manners, his generosity and wonderful sense of humor. Many Kiowas loved and respected him as did many others from all walks of life. He was a generous teacher, and he always managed to be happy, to share a laugh, and to confirm everything with the correct Kiowa phrase or words. My family are all so grateful that he sang with Ralph Kotay's group at our father's funeral in 2008 in Anadarko. Aho, Tommy, for being a good, good friend.*

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**Hanay Geiogamah** - December 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was sitting outside the last few days and I remember Tommy how he would be glad to see me and he would always say something to me in Kiowa and we would both start laughing. He loved to talk Kiowa. Never a dull moment with Tommy. I will miss his laughter. Rest In Peace. I will see you on the other side.*

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**Lavetta Yeahquo** - December 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM