



Donald Joseph Shannon

February 26, 1937 - November 17, 2005

Donald Joseph Shannon, age 68, of Owosso, Michigan, went to our Lord early Thursday morning, November 17, 2005. Don was born on Sugar Island, Michigan on February 26, 1937. He was raised in the Sault Ste. Marie area and at Holy Childhood School in Harbor Springs. He enlisted in the Marine Corps on September 1, 1955 and was stationed in Italy, Greece, and Japan. He was honorably discharged on August 29, 1958. Don married Barbara Hilbert, of Trout Lake on September 5, 1959. The couple moved to lower Michigan and made their home in Morrice, where they raised three children, while Don was employed by GM Truck Assembly in Flint. On April 13, 1991 he married Sherry (Lighthill-Lingo) and moved to Owosso. He became stepfather to her two children and had two more children with her. Don and his children were members of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and began making Native American crafts. They became Traders, known as the Cloud Dancers, and enjoyed towing their travel trailer to Pow Wows around Michigan, where they sold their creations. Don is survived by his wife Sherry, their daughter Staci (Brian) Owens of Niles, Michigan and her daughters, Taydra, Mika and Amber Holton; son Steven (Jamie) Shannon of Owosso, Michigan; stepdaughter Tami Henderson and her son Kevin and her special friend, Tim Holton all of Ovid, and her daughter Mikaela (Deron) Lamreux and their son Jameson of Owosso; stepson Bill Lingo and his son Justin both of Owosso; mother-in-law Leona Lighthill and three sisters-in-law. He is also survived by his former wife, Barbara, who remained a close friend and their

children; Donald Jay Shannon of Morrice and his children Christopher and Megan of Owosso, daughter Brenda (Kevin) Garey and their son Nathan of Morrice and Brenda's son David Temple of Mt. Pleasant; daughter Debbie (Jason) Helps, their son Shane, and Debbie's special friend Dale Dohr all of Bancroft. Brothers Frank (Mary) Shannon, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Russell (Dorothy) Shannon of Sugar Island, MI, and Merlin (Carol) Shannon of Durand, MI and Sisters Mildred (Gary) Gregg of Brimley, MI and Beatrice (Ron) Lee of Sault Ste. Marie, MI. He was predeceased by his parents Charles and Jenny Shannon, brother Dave, sister Theresa, several cousins and a niece. A visitation will be held at the Sault Tribe Niigaanagizhik Building (Cultural Center) on Sunday, November 20, 2005 starting at 11:00 AM and going until the time of the service the following day. Funeral services will be held at the Cultural Center at 1:30 PM on Monday, November 21, 2005 with Father Ted Brodeur as celebrant. Burial will be at Willwalk Cemetery. Memorials may be left to the American Cancer Society.