



Walter "Prid" Payment

January 12, 1968 - October 16, 2022

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.

We announce the passing of our brother, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin and friend Walter "Prid" Payment. A lifelong citizen of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Prid was a Sault Tribe Commercial Fisherman, traditional tribal craftsman, and loved playing guitar with his brothers Donny, Joe and Norman. Prid is survived by his children Adam Payment (Alicia), Samantha Bellemare (Ben), Christopher "CJ" Payment (Celina), Jennifer Payment, Ashley Wallace, Andrea Cleary and Cinnamon Cleary.

Prid was brother to 14 brothers and sisters (survived by Johnny Payment, Maryann Dover, Donny Alexander, Janice Payment, Karen Alexander, Steve Payment, Aaron Payment, Lisa Fisher and Krystal Payment. Cathy Tadgerson, Jerry Payment, Joe Payment, Norman Payment, and Kelly Payment are all deceased), grandfather to 15 and 48 nephews and nieces. Prid had a special relationship with long-time partner Patti Cleary (deceased), her children and grandchildren. Prid is predeceased by our mother and father Katherine (Boulley) Payment, and Walter "Johno" Payment.

Visiting family and friends will take place after 5pm on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please bring a dish to pass. Traditional Anishinaabe

Biimaadziwin services will take place at 7pm Tuesday, and Wednesday and at noon on Thursday at the Negaunegeshik Building (past the Big Bear) on the Sault Tribe Reservation.

Donations to help defray the cost of the funeral are welcome or please consider making a donation to the Men's Great Lakes Recovery Center in Sault Ste. Marie as they cared for Prid on and off for several years. Make out checks to Great Lakes Recovery and mail them directly or

Count your blessing if you have been spared from addiction to drugs or alcohol. Prid struggled his whole life to stay sober and he never gave up trying. Those struggling with addiction need our compassion, care, support, and love and not judgement.

Previous Events

Tribal Ceremony

OCT **18**. 5:00 PM (ET)

Sault Tribe Cultural Center
11 Ice Circle Chi Mukwa
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(906) 632-0239

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Tribute Wall



“ *Walter "Prid" Payment*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Walter "Prid" Payment*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *RIP WALTER! NOTHING BUT GOOD MEMORIES FOR ME WITH YOU BACK IN THE DAY AT WEST PIER OR HEAD. EARLY MORNINGS AT THE GIN MILL! THE WORLD LOST A WARRIOR TODAY!! RIP PRID!! PIFF PUFF*



Jay Tanner - October 18, 2022 at 06:43 PM