Starson Buckles, Wicahpi Wakutepi Hoksina ~ Shooting Star Boy, age 20, of Grand Forks, ND, passed away on Thursday, September 29, 2022 in Fort Totten, ND.

Starson Zachary Buckles was born on December 21, 2001 to Lorry Cree and Wayne Buckles in Devils Lake, ND. Starson attended school at Four Winds-Minnewaukan, Grand Forks Century Elementary and Bismarck, where he received his GED in Bismarck. His favorite sports were basketball and wrestling. Starson was a very artistic soul and had a talent and passion for writing poetic music. He enjoyed performing his songs for his loved ones and friends. A very respectful young man, not only to everyone in his life but for his culture and traditions as well. When he wasn't filling our hearts with the beautiful emotions held within his rap music, he was praying in sweats and taking on the role of rock carrier. He will always be remembered for his big and loving heart that was very family orientated and extended to his beloved furry companion, Shunka.

Starson is survived by parents Lorry Cree and Wayne Buckles; brothers and sisters Xavier Buckles, Haley Buckles, Riley Buckles, Daniel Dietz, Rebecca Dietz, Isaac Newborg, Zachary Cree, Amelia Cree and Olivia Cree; nephews Riley and Elijah Buckles; aunts and uncles, Marlin Herald, Nicole Ross, Alithea Cree, Shannon Buckles, Jessica Buckles, Michael Buckles, Jay Buckles, Mitchell Buckles, Michelle (Gary) Reiger, Kim Knutson, Marilyn Knutson, Frank Buckles, Melvin Knutson and John Knutson; cousins, Alexis Cree, Daisy Herald, Alayna Ross, James Graywater Jr., Kailon Graywater, Tanner Cavanaugh, Conner Cavanaugh, Tyra Cree, Tyler Cree, Nathan Cree, Samuel Buckles, Michael T. Smith, Shirissa Buckles, Chad Buckles, Shylene Buckles, Michaela Buckles, Michalene Buckles, Mikah Buckles, Billy Jackson, Joanna Jackson, Saunders Jackson, Parrish Buckles, Samuel Buckles, Chadley Buckles, Phenix Buckles, Lilian Shaw and baby Mitch Buckles; great aunts, Ronda McKay and Lila Anderson; great uncles, Vincent Herald, Willis Herald, Delbert Herald, James (Mary) Thompson Jr. and Donovan Kahnapace; paternal grandparents Raymond and Maxine Buckles; maternal grandfather, Larry Cree; great grandma, Helena Littleghost; adopted parents Sarah & Jason Newborg and special friend, Kayden Littleghost.

Starson is preceded in death by his grandma, Marjorie (Herald) Kirk; great grandpa, William Herald; maternal grandparents, Mary and James Thompson Sr.; uncles, Avery FlyingHorse, Gabe Smith Jr. and Chad Buckles; great uncles Daniel Herald and Virgil Herald; great aunts, Celestine Herald, April Herald, Patsy Herald, Roxanne Lenoir, Jeanette Herald and Trudy Herald; maternal great great grandparents, James and Agnes Feather Mazakahomni Littleghost Sr.; great great grandparents, Emile and Sarah Pasang Herald; great great aunts, Ruby and Ruth Herald; great great uncles, Ronald and Edward Herald, Jordon, Francis, Eugene and James Littleghost Jr.; great great great grandfather, Hein Inka Duta (Red Tip), great great great grandfather, Wambdi Sapa (Black Eagle) and great great great great grandfather Chief Waanatan.



THE LIFE OF



Starson Buckles

DECEMBER 21, 2001 - SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

I woke up this morning hoping all of this was just a bad dream...I thought it would be because the sun was shining...the sky is clear and blue, and the birds are still happily chirping their songs...but then it hit me...you're still gone...and it makes me mad...makes me mad that it's still a beautiful day out...how can the day still hold beauty when an important component that made it so is gone....you...when you entered the world for the first time my dearest cousin...you were crying and now that you left...the world is crying...I am a wreck and trying to make sense of this...why you?...You haven't experienced what all life has to offer...there was so much more all of us wanted you to see and do...I wanted you to live...to thrive instead of doing what you always had to do and that was survive...

Maybe God said "You know what, I see you my lovely Star, and just like the Stars in the sky, no matter how dark life had gotten you still managed to shine even without the sun, it's time for you to come home. I would like to talk to you again since we stopped talking for a while. The angels will be your audience and heaven your stage. Your loved ones that have passed are here too and will be your biggest fans"

I like to think God fell in love with your pure loving heart and decided to grant you the peace you more than deserved. Family was always big to you and I know you wanted to bond and get to know more of us but it's even better you get to know your loved ones in paradise. A place without heartbreak and the troubles of this world. While we all wished you could have stayed with us longer, I know we will see you again \bigcirc We got to enjoy the poetry of your music, the beauty of your love, the perseverance of your loyalty, and the joy you brought to our lives with your humor...now our relatives get to experience the wonderful soul that is Starson Buckles. I know God is enjoying hearing you sing and all your grandpas and grandmas and aunties and uncles and cousins are laughing with you experiencing your humor and jokes that could light up a room. A true testament to your name. Our beloved Star

I will always keep your memory alive. Forever ☆ 🟟 😂 🤍 Alexis Cree

Celebrating The Life Of

Starson Zachary Buckles

Beloved Son, Brother, Nephew, Cousin, Uncle and Dear Friend December 21, 2001– Devils Lake, ND September 29, 2022 – Fort Totten, ND

VISITATION & PRAYER SERVICE

Thursday, October 6, 2022 Visitation 5:00PM - 7:00PM Prayer Service 7:00PM Fort Totten Rec. Center, Fort Totten, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE Friday, October 7, 2022 10:00AM Fort Totten Rec. Center, Fort Totten, ND

> **OFFICIATING** Pastor Mike Flowers

PALLBEARERS

Gavin Johnson ~ Sam Buckles ~ Conner Cavanaugh ~ Travis Reiter Kailon Graywater ~ Riley Buckles ~ Evan Rosencrans

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Starson's Cousins, Nieces and Nephews. The Charboneau Family, Littleghost Family, Longie Family, Kara Shaw, Vanessa Cavanaugh & Family. If we forgot anyone, please forgive us as it was not intentional during this difficult time.

> Arrangements by Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND www.EvansFuneralHomeND.com