

# The Family Of Joseph 'Bullhead' Black Elk

## **Siblings:**

*Jesse (Sheryl), John (Lisa),  
Shelly, Jolla, Cora, Dera & Harley*

## **Nieces & Nephews:**

*Leah, Jami, Amber, Jasmyne, Jaya,  
Jayce, Baby Shelly, Justine, Vera & Sarah  
John Mike, Mud Duck, JT, Jeremy  
Thorn, Vincent & LJ*

## **Significant Other:**

*Marcene Rattling Leaf*

## **Preceded in death by:**

*Parents Lincoln & Judy Black Elk  
Brother Eddie and Sister Rosie*



*In Loving Memory Of*

# **Bullhead**

January 22, 1973 – June 13, 2019

## Brave Warrior

Before this world had started, before our lives began  
God assigned us all our challenges, some hard things to withstand

Each of us were given some difficult things to do  
But God gave his bravest warriors an extra burden too

So you were challenged with a body that became broken and quite ill  
But life could never take from you a solid, determined will

You kept you face turned toward the sunshine  
Trapped in a body that knew too much rain  
And chose to see the joys in life  
In spite of your illness and pain

And though your body was oft' connected  
To needles, machines and tubes  
You bravely faced each day with them  
While expressing gratitude

For the chance of simply being here, though to us it didn't seem fair  
To see someone as special as you suffer in a body beyond repair

So when you'd honorably completed every trial you were assigned  
God chose to bring you back to him, freeing your bright spirit and mind

And though we'll miss you deeply, so cherished and loved were you  
We know you're enjoying the freedom of heaven  
Enjoying things that here you couldn't do

And we are certain god is happy to have you in heaven again  
To have His brave and loving child close and safe with Him

We know you'll continue to watch over us  
For it's something you've always done  
And that you'll never be too far from us  
In the days and years to come

Arrangements by:  
**Holmes Funeral Home**  
Valentine, Nebraska

## *In Celebration Of The Life Of* **JOSEPH LEE BLACK ELK**

*Cetan Ho Waste ~ Good Voice Hawk*

### Services

Wakes: Wednesday -Thursday, June 19-20, 2019

Swift Bear Community Hall in White River, SD

*Traditional Prayers: Francis Morrison & Travis High Pipe*

Funeral: Friday - June 21, 2019 @ 1:00pm

White River Event Center in White River, SD

*Prayers by Fr. Jacob Boddicker, S.J.*

Burial: St. Ignatius Catholic Cemetery, White River, SD

### Pallbearers

Jeremy Black Elk

Jason Leader Charge

John Michael Black Elk

O.E. Knife

Jesse Black Elk

Jerome Black Bear

Justin Engle

Gifford Standing

### Honorary Bearers

Adrian Black Wolf ~ Loren Iyotte ~ Paul Haukaas

Scott Harris ~ Cal Hovey ~ Ed Krogman ~ Josh Krogman

Myron Pourier ~ Dustin Bechtold ~ Dennis Bechtold

Bryan Waukazoo ~ Jim Stands ~ Kelly Iyotte

Cowboy Sharp Butte ~ DJ Ryan ~ Greg Ryan

Wyatt Burnette ~ Geno Bronco Bill ~ RST Dialysis

Dr. Burch ~ Doctors & Nurses at Avera

Duane Ryan, Jr. & Family ~ Class of 1992

Dale Wooden Knife & Sherry Ryan Family

Jody & Jihan Charging Eagle ~ Henry Moran

All Family & Friends