



Lawrence "Chief" Rupert Beaver

July 30, 1950 - September 7, 2012

Lawrence "Chief" Rupert Beaver, age 62 of Eddyville, passed away Friday, September 7, 2012, at Mahaska Health Partnership in Oskaloosa.

Lawrence was born July 30, 1950 to John and Mary (Auger) Beaver in Desmarais, Alberta, Canada. He was a member of the Bigstone Cree Indian Nation. He married Mary Lou Tracey on June 14, 1975 in Oskaloosa.

Lawrence graduated from high school in Alberta, Canada, and later moved to the United States, where he worked at Maytag for 32 years.

Lawrence was a very friendly and giving person. He always liked helping his neighbors and family. He enjoyed being outdoors, cutting wood, farming and working on cars. He was a handy-man and was Mary Lou's right-hand-man at Wilson's in Bussey. He also was an animal lover and loved spending time with his family and friends.

Lawrence is survived by his wife of 37 years, Mary Lou of Eddyville; five siblings, Claire Clark, Leonard Beaver, Rita Large, John Beaver, all of Canada, and Liz Larson of Albia. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and sisters and brothers-in-law.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, and a brother,

Gabriel.

Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Marty Williams officiating. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

Visitation will open at 11 a.m., Tuesday, September 11, 2012, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Lawrence's family present from 6-8 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to Lawrence's family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence "Chief" Rupert Beaver*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Mary Lou,
So sorry to hear of "Beave's" passing. We had some good times in the rubber room at Plant 1. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time.*

Rich Hill - Baxter, IA - Co-Worker at Maytag (Plant 1) - September 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Will miss chief driving by many times a day and waving! Thoughts & Prayers go out to your family!!*

Adam, Erica, Elsie & Maelee Antolik - Bussey, IA - Neighbor - September 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will miss the "Chief" with his big smile and tales of the North. Take care Mary Lou!*

Kim & Jaci Hansen - Bussey, IA - friend - September 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Lawrence always approached me when I'd be uptown at Katy-did's or Wilson's and he'd ask to drive my car, ride in my car, or even just sit in it. He liked my Monte Carlo and we'd joke back and forth about it. Then, he'd always carry my groceries out for me. We'll miss this man alot and will be there for you Mary-Lou. Sue Floden*

Susan Floden - Bussey, IA - friend - September 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mary Lou, We were sorry to hear of your loss of your loved one*

Candy Lewis Watson & Families - Chariton, IA - Friend of Mary Lou - September 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the family...*

Though I never really knew "Chief" as my brother Jim called him, I heard lots of good things of him. He will be greatly missed by his friends and neighbors and his family will be kept in our thoughts and prayers.

Lorraine Van Polen

Lorraine Van Polen - Monroe, IA - friend - September 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers!!!
Brandon,Rebecca,Chase, Kiptyn Rozenboom*

Rebecca Rozenboom - Bussey, IA - neighbor - September 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ going to miss beaver he was always teaseing me and let me know he was the newphew i cared the most about. mary lou i love and will keep you in my prayers

linda lopez - perkins, OK - aunt - September 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM