



Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr.

August 14, 1940 - January 25, 2022

Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr. was born on August 14, 1940, to the Rev. John Chaino Ahkeahbo and Lillie Littlchief Chaino Ahkeahbo in Lawton, Oklahoma. He was called home on January 25, 2022, in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Tommy graduated from Kingfisher High School in 1958 where he was a 4-star athlete competing in Baseball, Basketball, Football and Track. He also served as Student Leader of the Democratic Party and served as a page his senior year. Tommy went on to attend the Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Ks and graduated in 1960 with an Associate Degree in Print Press/Journalism. After graduation he worked as an instructor for the Journalism/Printing Department at Haskell Institute until moving back to Oklahoma with his family in 1965.

Tommy made his home in Tulsa, Ok for more than 20 years and worked for the Tulsa World as a print press operator for many years. Mr. Ahkeahbo then started serving as a counselor for the Tulsa Indian Youth Council and Indian Pupil Education for Tulsa Public Schools with Evans Ray Satepauhoodle and Archie Mason.

Tommy formed a dance troupe, Summerbird Dance Troupe, where he encouraged Native American youth to participate in dance and learn their culture. Summerbird Dance Troupe travelled all over the U.S. performing in Washington D.C. In the 1980's Tommy made a move to California, where he called home for the next 20 years before returning to Oklahoma.

Mr. Ahkeahbo is survived by his children Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Jr. "Tuffy" and wife Rona of Cushing, Ok. Tammy White of the home, Shawndae Lacey and husband Glenn of New Mexico, and Cottalene Deer and husband Richard of Tulsa, Ok. JoKay Dowell adopted daughter from Tahlequah, Ok. Grandchildren Alicia Chaino Ahkeahbo of Cushing, Ok. Amber Chavez and husband Ben of Cushing, Ok. Delanna Quinoines and husband Gabriel of Buckeye Arizona. Rebecca White, Jaimie White, and Stephanie White McCombs of Tulsa, Ok. Brett White and wife Shanae of Tulsa, Ok. Good Warrior, Grant and R.J. Deer of Tulsa, Ok. Jacob, Gabriel and Miranda Sarae Lacey of New Mexico. Cass Greenwood and wife Teresa of California. Eliot Greenwood and wife Kelly of Tulsa, Ok. 13 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pall Bearers are GoodWarrior Deer, Grant Deer, Brett White, Ben Chavez, Chasen Childers, Dallas Childers, Dr. Evan White and Jeffery Lyons.

A viewing will be held at the Hayhurst Funeral home in Broken Arrow, Ok from 12-4pm Friday January 28, 2022. The family will then proceed to the Rebecca Rogers home place in White Oak, Oklahoma for all night wake services. Graveside services will be held at 9am Saturday January 29, 2022.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 28. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
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Visitation

JAN 28. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Service

JAN 28. 6:00 PM (CT)

Rebecca Rogers Home Place
Vinita, OK

Graveside Service

JAN 29. 9:00 AM (CT)

Rebecca Rogers Home Place
Vinita, OK

Tribute Wall



“ Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr.

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



January 28, 2022 at 02:36 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



January 28, 2022 at 01:53 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



January 28, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.hayhurstfuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..

January 28, 2022 at 01:27 PM



“ the Hendersons & Liberty Laundry family purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



the Hendersons & Liberty Laundry family - January 28, 2022 at 09:41 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



January 27, 2022 at 04:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tommy Chaino Ahkeahbo, Sr..



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“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Ahkeahbo family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Tommy.*



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