



Charlotte Sam

November 8, 1952 - June 13, 2009

Charlotte G. Sam (56) of Wapato died on Saturday June 13, 2009 in Toppenish. She was born in Seaside, OR on November 8, 1952 to Robert and Juanita (George) San Juan. She was raised and educated in Washougal, WA and moved to White Swan where she worked at Jeld-Wen, Mt. Adams Furniture Factory, Yakama Nation Housing. She was most recently working as a server at the Legends Casino buffet. She enjoyed beadworking, sewing, basket weaving, spending time with her family especially her grandchildren which were the light of her life, and collecting family pictures. Charlotte was a member of the Yakama Nation and the Washut religion. She is survived by her husband, Thomas Sam Sr. of Wapato; her mother, Nancy Yallup of Toppenish; four sons, R. L. (Rhonda) Hudson Sr. of White Swan, Thomas (Gladys) Sam Jr. of Wapato, Johnny Sam of White Swan and Jeff Sam of Toppenish; three daughters, Agnes (Steve) Hudson of Toppenish, Abby Sam of Mabton and Stephanie Allen of Lapwai, ID; five grandchildren; two brothers, Ira Lee (Athena) Yallup of Zillah, and Robert Elenbass of Santa Clara, CA; one sister, Stacy Tillequots of Wapato; her uncles, Ross (Maxine) George and Barry George; family elders, Nelson Moses, Josephine, Delores, Shirley, Casey, Earl and Arnold Barney. Charlotte was preceded in death by her parents, her foster father, Leo Aleck Sr., one daughter, Nancy Hudson; two brothers, Leo Aleck Jr. and Harold San Juan; and two sisters, Gina Tillequots and Marlene Gregg. Dressing services will be on Monday June 15, 2009 at 3PM at Colonial Funeral Home. Family overnight services will be Monday evening at the family

home. Public overnight services will be Tuesday at the Toppenish Community Center. Interment will be Wednesday June 17, 2009 at sunrise at the Satus Point Cemetery. Friends may send condolences at www.toppenishfunerals.com. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **15**. 3:00 PM (PT)

Colonial Funeral Home
228 S. Alder
Toppenish, WA

Visitation

JUN **16**. 7:00 PM (PT)

Toppenish Community Center
600 N. Meyers Road
Toppenish,, WA

Service

JUN **17**. 7:00 AM (PT)

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Toppenish,, WA

Tribute Wall



“ Charlotte Sam

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ We share the loss, but treasure the memories. Children take care of your father, the children, and each other. Life is too short to be angry all the time, and be bickering with one another. Take time to love each other, share laughs, share dreams, share thoughts, and be happy. Tomorrow is not promised to any of us, so treat each day as if it were your last, and share a smile, a kind word, a hug, and your love. Your mother loved each of you, none more than another. Only a parent can understand that unconditional love. Your mother had a beautiful smile that she shared with everyone she met, continue that tradition. So today I share with you, each of you are in my prayers, please keep my family in yours.##imported-begin##Gina Jerry##imported-end##

July 06, 2009 at 12:48 PM



“ I would like to thank you all for love and support, our arms are open just as my moms was. We all miss here and her pride and joy was the new home everyone is welcome'd to visit and bring joy into the house laughs and smiles. thank you again.
her daughter Agnes##imported-begin##agnes##imported-end##

June 24, 2009 at 12:19 AM



“ I worked at Legends with Charlotte for 2 years. During that time I became friends with her and she was very generous and thoughtful of others. I'll miss her greatly and I am saddened by your loss as well as ours.

I had the opportunity to share a recipe for pazole with her. She ended up telling me that it came out very good and she had never made mexican food before that & they enjoyed it very much - and she thanked me.

She shared a few jokes as well which I got a good laught out of. I'll miss her much. Sincerly - Ralph and family.##imported-begin##Ralph##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 01:57 AM



“ My deepest sympathy and prayers go to the family of Charlotte. I met her well working for the Legends Casino Buffet 3 years ago. She was always easy going and funny. She allowed me and many others to call her Grandma. She will be deeply missed. I'm sad to know she's no longer here but her memories with me with last forever. Take Care.##imported-begin##Sylvia Mendez##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 02:06 PM



“ I was shocked when I received the news of her passing and wanted the family to know that she will be missed at the YNLC Buffet. This is where I got to know her. She always made me feel welcomed when she would be my server when I worked in Finance and she always greeted me when I would arrive for work in the buffet.##imported-begin##Maggie James##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 11:17 AM



“ *Sorry I cannot be there. I just heard yesterday (monday) night. She lived a great life and she will be missed.
love always, melanie##imported-begin##Melanie
Walsey##imported-end##*

June 16, 2009 at 09:28 AM