



Esther George

August 14, 1957 - March 9, 2008

Esther Lori George “Ki-Saat” (50) of Toppenish died Sunday March 9, 2008 at Yakima Regional Hospital. She was born on August 14, 1957 to Leander and Delores (Harrison) George in Toppenish. Esther was an enrolled member of the Yakama Nation. She married John Wayne Telakish in 1974 in Wapato and Cheryl Lynn Telakish was born. After the death of her husband, Esther met Richard Garcia Foltz and they had a son, Joseph Lee Foltz. Esther’s companion, Mario Hernandez and her resided for over 16 years in Toppenish. Esther became grandmother to Daisy Rider in 1998, she lives in Morley, Alberta, Canada. Her 2nd grandchild is Aiyanna Telakish Lopez of Granger, her 3rd grandchild is Hunter Dean Foltz of Buena; her 4th grandchild is due in September 2008 from Cheryl.

Esther attended school in Wapato. She was a fancy shawl dancer in her teenage years. Later in life was a traditional high step dancer, winning many competitions traveling throughout the U.S.A and Canada. She was one of the original singers of the family drum group Treaty of 1855. She enjoyed many forms of beadworking and was a waitress. She is survived by her companion, Mario Hernandez of Toppenish; children, Cheryl (Carlos) Lopez of Granger, Joseph (Kalija) Foltz of Buena; her mother, Delores Harrison George of Zillah, Anna & Dominic of Toppenish, Mrk Davis, Jr. of Arlee, MT, Colleen (Mike) of Toppenish, Vincent, Michelle, Tanisha of White Swan, Arleen George, Sr., Gwen, Leslie, Leander, George, Jr, Keith of Toppenish, Gary (Dulcie, Tiffany, Phabian of Toppenish, Brian (Carla, Justin, Adrian, Mason of Toppenish,

Deanna (Byron) of Zillah, Katherine (Joseph, Richard) of Zillah, Auntie Theresa George Thompson, Josephia, Maurice, Kari Slome, Guy Gregg. A special thank you to Dr. Singel & staff at Yakima Regional Hospital, Kip & Lyndia Ramsey family, All Tribes Church members for their prayers, aunt Carrie Schuster. Esther's tribute to her mom, Delores was the song, "Wind Beneath My Wings" by Bette Midler.

Dressing services will be at 5PM Monday March 10, 2008 at the Toppenish Longhouse. Funeral procession will leave the longhouse at 9AM Tuesday March 11, 2008 for the Toppenish Creek Cemetery in White Swan. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 1. 12:00 AM.

Graveside

Visitation

MAR 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Toppenish Longhouse
Robbins Road
Toppenish, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Esther George*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Dear Delores & Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We are thankful
for all the great memories left by your daughter.
Our best to each of you at this time.
Sincerely,
Tony Mary & Alana
Nespelem, WA.##imported-begin##Mary Vasquez & Tony Atkins
Family##imported-end##*

March 28, 2008 at 03:47 AM