



Andrew Edward Gray Jr

August 15, 1949 - January 24, 2025

Andrew Edward Gray Jr., 75, passed away on January 24, 2025, in Bartlesville, Oklahoma surrounded by family. He was born August 15, 1949, in Pawhuska, Oklahoma to Andrew “Buddy” Gray and Margaret Matteson Luttrell Gray.

Education was important to Andrew and was always learning and sharing it as an educator and student. He especially loved history and Native studies. Andrew received his associate’s degree from Coffeyville Community College and went on to earn his bachelor’s degree and master’s degree in education at Pittsburg State University. Andrew was instrumental in founding Pawnee Nation College. Andrew went on to teach at OSU as an Adjunct Professor, at Pawnee Nation College, Central Middle School in Bartlesville and Wynona Schools.

Well versed in Native Customs, Andrew consulted with programs at the Osage Nation Counseling Center and Quapaw Tribe. Andrew was a Roadman for the Jennie Gray Chapter Native American Church. He was ordained by his mentor Arthur Cox and will receive all seven rites. Andrew also worked for TASC at the Osage Nation Counseling Center, often running groups for PRT and Men’s groups for Domestic Violence. A championship Straight Dancer, Andrew loved to compete with the best dancers across Indian Country. He also served as arena director and organized many powwows for groups and

colleges. He also had his own dance troupe made up of family members. Active in politics and civil rights, Andrew always fought for the rights of the oppressed. He went to Wounded Knee in 1973 during the American Indian Movement occupation. Andrew served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era, spending his tour in Okinawa where he was honorably discharged in 1971. Proud of his service he was active in the American Legion Post 198 in Pawhuska. He is to receive a 21-gun salute.

He is survived by his three children: Andrew Edward "Dru" Gray III, Margaret Katherine "Maggie" Gray and Matteson Anne Gray.

He is also survived by adopted daughter Madeline Nancy Gray Goodfox and adopted granddaughter Julia Wakeford. He is also survived by siblings, Jacqueline Annette Butler, Louis Gerard Gray, Margaret Mildred Gray, and James Roan Gray. He is survived by four grandchildren, Jacy Lauren Gray, Mahpiya Roan Primeaux, Parker Lane McCabe and Charlotte Katherine Gray and one great-granddaughter, Hazel Ann Gray. He is survived by 120 nephews and nieces, many of whom he named in the Deer Clan.

The rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, and will be led by his older sister, Jacqueline Butler, followed by NAC singing at 8 p.m. Indian Services will be officiated by Cameron Pratt and will take place at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the Chapel in Indian Camp, next to Wakon Iron Hall. Catholic services will start at 10 a.m. Gravesite services will be held at noon, followed by a meal at Wakon Iron. The final meal will be on Monday, February 3rd, at noon at Wakon Iron Hall.

Andrew Edward Gray Jr. will be the first Osage tribal member laid to rest at the Osage Nation's new WahZhaZhe National Cemetery.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Reception Catholic Church
1314 Lynn Avenue
Pawhuska, OK 74056

Guestbook

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“ *I'm glad I got to know Andrew, even if it was just for a little while. I was amazed about how much he knew about history. He will be missed.* ”

Stephen Cale - January 27, 2025 at 11:38 AM