



Latricia "Odette" Wright

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Latricia "Odette" Wright, known by her Native American name "She Who Knows," passed away on April 2, 2024, at the age of 83. She was born on May 28, 1940, in Millsboro, Delaware, to the late Sylvester and Edith Norwood.

She graduated from Haskell Institute (United States Indian Industrial Training School) in Lawrence, Kansas. After graduating, she lived in California before moving back to Delaware.

Odette was a beloved member of her community, known for her skills as a beautician and her passion for preserving her Native American heritage. Always a people person, she served 31 years as curator for the Nanticoke Indian Museum, where she dedicated herself to sharing the rich history and culture of her people.

In 2014, she was inducted into The Delaware Women's Hall of Fame where she was honored for her work that "created a lasting legacy for future generations...preserving the history and heritage of Delaware's Nanticoke Indians."

Odette was predeceased by her parents, her husband of 45 years, Charles L. "Sharkey" Wright, her daughter Andrea Wright, her sister Pecita Lonewolf, and her brothers Robert "Jitter" Norwood and Merrill "Dinkle" Norwood.

She is survived by her grandsons, Jeffery Wright and Jason Wright, brother Lispinard "Splinter" Norwood, bonus daughter Altrenia Wright, bonus grandson Timothy Troy Bailey, as well as several great-grandchildren, a great-great grandson, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Odette is also fondly remembered by the dedicated and caring staff of the Cadia Renaissance Bethany Cottage.

While dementia may have robbed her of many things, it never dimmed her spirit. Odette was happy and singing until the end.



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A graveside service will be held at 1:00PM on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at Indian Mission Cemetery, located at 22701 Indian Mission Rd, Harbeson, DE 19951, where Odette will be laid to rest alongside her beloved husband.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Nanticoke Indian Museum in memory of Latricia "Odette" Wright.

Please sign Odette's tribute wall at this site.

FLORISTS - Please deliver any floral arrangements to Watson Funeral Home on Saturday by 9:30 AM



Events


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Graveside Service

 **Saturday**, April 6, 2024

 1:00 PM ET

 **Indian Mission Cemetery**
22701 Indian Mission Rd, Harbeson DE 19951





Tribute Wall

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Lynne Betts posted:

Thank you for the sharing lessons. Continued blessings on your new path. 🙏🌲

April 14 at 12:31 PM



Rose Mccray posted:

I will miss you, as well as Dinkle, Pecita, and Andrea, It will never be the same without you. Rest in peace.

April 6 at 5:39 PM



Dr. Alexander Grande posted:

Such a phenomenal person living her testimony to the preservation of her heritage. She will now spread her love and wisdom throughout the universal consciousness's

April 5 at 9:20 AM



Pastor Allen Miller posted:

She was a beautiful lady and brought so much to our area. She will be dearly missed.

April 5 at 9:00 AM



Sandra Neal lit a candle in honor of Latricia.



April 5 at 8:05 AM

SN Sandra Neal April 5 at 8:10 AM

Odette was a faithful friend to Israel UMC having song many times there and shared information on the Nanticokes Indians. She also represented the NIA very well in the Peninsula-Delaware Conference. She will be lovingly remembered. Rest well .



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BP

Bill Prettyman posted:

Great lady who I know will be missed by many friends and family. God bless her soul and spirit. Bill Prettyman

April 5 at 3:10 AM

LF

Love, Bobby & Anita Wright & Family sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Wright family.

April 4 at 10:15 PM



LF

Love, Bobby & Anita Wright & Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Latricia.

April 4 at 10:15 PM



LJ

Lori Johnson posted:

Miss Odette was loved dearly by all the children who visited The Nanticoke Indian Museum throughout the years. For many, many Summers, Miss Odette opened her heart to so many of our Children's Camps, always with informative stories and artifacts leaving the children always wanting more. Miss Odette will be sadly missed by both The Nanticoke Indians and the Long Neck/Millsboro Communities.

April 4 at 6:39 PM

DC

Doris Cleansing Cedar Cooper posted:

I will forever cherish time spent with Ms Odett teaching Native history in the community. She was a wealth of knowledge. Doris Cleansing Cedar Cooper

April 4 at 6:51 AM

MR

Myrtle Robbins posted:

I June Robbins worked Odette for 10yrs at the Nanticoke museum, She be missed

April 4 at 6:40 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Latricia by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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