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Beautiful. Sweet. Vibrant. Faith-filled. Loving. Ojibwe Nokomis (Grandmother). Charlotte Marie Banks Wagner was all that, and so much more! Charlotte entered into Heaven on November 10, 2021, and while all who love her are heartbroken, we rejoice in her Heavenly home-going!

Born to Annie Banks and Joseph Lincoln on December 8, 1942 in Cass Lake, MN, on the Leech Lake Indian Reservation, Charlotte was a proud, enrolled member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. As a young adult at Calvary Baptist Church in Pengilly, MN, she accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and enjoyed studying the New Testament.

Charlotte married Leonard Wagner, and their union was blessed with a daughter, Heather, and a son, Paul. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. In 1986 the family moved to California, where Charlotte served her local Native community as the American Indian Employment Specialist at the Employment Development Department. In 2003, she became an employee of the State Of California as an Employment Program Representative, and was a dedicated employee who loved helping veterans.

Charlotte taught Sunday school at Berean Baptist Church, and was giving, generous, patient, kind, helpful and thoughtful, with an empathetic heart. Charlotte enjoyed going to powwows, gospel hymns and old-style country

music, baking, playing the piano, cribbage, Yahtzee and MahJong games, shopping, traveling, and watching TV, especially Steph Curry and the Golden State Warriors. She faithfully read her Bible and shared the gospel; most of all, Charlotte enjoyed spending time laughing with her family.

Charlotte was preceded in death by her parents, and adoptive parents Emerson Smith and Hazel Smith; husband, Leonard; son Sampson Wagner; brothers Mark Banks, Dennis Banks, Jack Smith, and Patrick Banks; and sisters Audrey Banks, and Teresa Smith. She is survived by daughter Heather Pina and son-in-law Joseph Pina III; sons, Paul Wagner and Timothy Downs; and granddaughter, Aiyana Wagner, along with many loving nieces and nephews.

Please join in offering prayers of healing and comfort for her family, friends and loved ones. Glory to God, in the highest! We will miss and love her forever -- and take consolation that, in the Ojibwe language, there is no word for goodbye. We say, simply, wasabi giin ("see you") ... what a glorious day that will be, when we are reunited with our Beloved Charlotte!

A Celebration of Life will be held on Fri., Nov. 19, 2021 at Windsor Healdsburg Mortuary, 9660 Old Redwood Hwy., Windsor, CA, 95492; with family viewing at 10 A.M., and public viewing at 10:30, followed by a funeral service at 11 A.M; internment immediately following at Oak Mound Cemetery, 601 Piper St., Healdsburg, CA, 95448.

If anyone would like to help contribute towards funeral expenses and any other expenses that may incur please donate here. <https://gofund.me/b7b2a222>

Her family thanks you and appreciate your help.

Cemetery Details

Oak Mound Cemetery

601 Piper Street
Healdsburg, CA 95448

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 19. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Windsor Healdsburg Mortuary & Crematory
9660 Old Redwood Hwy
Windsor, CA 95492
(707) 838-6000
info@whmortuary.com
<http://www.whmortuary.com>

Service

NOV 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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Graveside Service

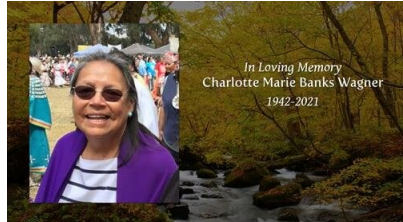
NOV **19**. 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Windsor Healdsburg Mortuary & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Charlotte Marie Banks Wagner



Windsor Healdsburg Mortuary & Crematory - November 19, 2021 at 06:39 PM

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“ 3 files added to the album GraveSite Ceremony



Heather Pina - November 23, 2021 at 04:04 PM

JF

“ Jessica Joson and Family purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Charlotte Marie Banks Wagner.



Jessica Joson and Family - November 15, 2021 at 06:17 PM

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“ So helpful to many in Sonoma County. This wonderful woman will be missed in our community.

Norene T - November 15, 2021 at 03:22 PM

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Thanks for coming to pay your respects. Your thoughts are appreciated.

Heather Pina - November 20, 2021 at 09:34 AM

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*Dear Family of Charlotte,
I first met Charlotte when I was 19 years old. We had a blast with her when we were younger. There was a small group of Natives that hung out together back then. She was a student at Concordia College in St. Paul. We used to go to this little neighborhood bar to shoot pool with Andy Laverdure, Ron Buck and Barb Goodsky. I heard from her when I was in CA back in 2007-2008. My only regret is that I did not connect with her in person. From the tribute, it looks like she lived a joyful, fun and cultural life. Very happy about that. Love her so much. Later,
Shirley Cain.*

Shirley Cain - December 15, 2021 at 06:58 PM