Webster Aaron Two Hawk, Sr. Feb. 4, 1930 – Oct. 21,2022

Webster Aaron Two Hawk, Sr., Pte San Tokahe (Leading White Buffalo) was born on February 4, 1930 to Albert Harry and Annie (Good Voice Eagle) Two Hawk in his family's log cabin in rural Horse Creek community, Mellette County, South Dakota. He was the grandson of Chief White Buffalo and Situpe Ska. He spoke Lakota as his first language and attended school in White River through the 7th grade. From there he was sent to boarding school in Mission, SD where he graduated high school in 1948. After graduation he attended the University of South Dakota where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business in 1952.

He then enlisted in the Army and served during the Korean War conflict. While in the Army he was a paratrooper assigned to the 511th Army Airborne Regiment and was Platoon Leader for the 23rd Infantry Regiment. He earned a Purple Heart for his service. He returned and continued serving with the Army National Guard until retiring as Major with the 109th Engineering Unit in March 1970 with military parade at Ellsworth Air force base, the only civilian to be allowed this honor.

Upon return from the Korean War conflict, he had spoken with the Bishop and Nancy (Little Money) Prue Lambert and decided to become an Episcopal Priest. He earned his Masters of Divinity from Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio. He was ordained on February 3, 1958 at St. Peter Episcopal Church in Lake Andes, South Dakota. He served on the Yankton, the Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Missions and at St. Peter Episcopal Church in Ft. Pierre, SD.

He married Evelyn Ann Lambert on December 27, 1953 and remained married to her until her death in 1994. To this union six children were born: Brook, Albert, Webster Jr., Shannon, Naomi and Castle. They also adopted Guy McBride, Reta Bear Face and Gordon King. In addition, they were godparents and foster parents to many children. Together they started a ranch in rural Mellette County, SD where they raised cattle.

At the age of 38, he had a heart attack and had to take leave from his clerical duties. During his recovery, he became more active in community issues on the Rosebud and became active in tribal politics. He was elected and served as Tribal Chairman from 1969-1973 and again from 1983-1985. During his time as Chairman, he helped to bring economic development to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and helped to create over 450 new jobs. During his first term, he was elected Chief by the United Sioux Tribes. He was the last to receive this honor.

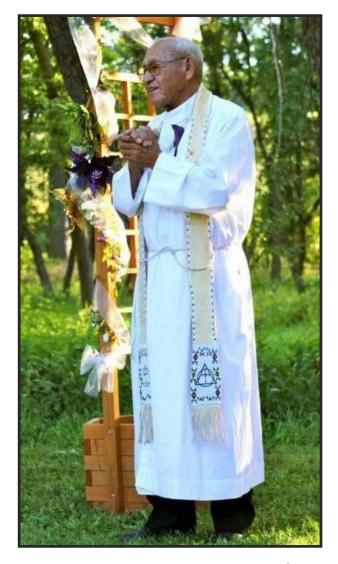
With the encouragement of Evelyn and the other councilmen's wives, he as chairman and some of his council pushed for the founding of Sinte Gleska College as a post-secondary education institution on the reservation. It is now a four-year university. He was the Director of Indian Studies at the University of South Dakota from 1974-1976. He then went on to work for Indian Health Service and was the Service Unit Director (CEO) of the Rosebud IHS Hospital from 1976-1982. From there he worked at the Aberdeen (Great Plains) Area IHS office from 1985-1994.

In 1996, he was appointed Commissioner of the Tribal Government Relations Office by Governor William Janklow. He served in this role until 2004. He served on many boards, committees and organizations to help improve the lives of his people. He was always so proud of his family members who went to obtain education so that they could work to improve the lives of others as well.

He married Marge Grant on August 29, 1996. He became a father figure to her nine children: Farrell Dillon Jr., Lorenzo (Connie) Dillon, Faron Dillon, Kim Dillon, Grant Dillon, Matt (Olivia) Dillon, Terri (Tim) Grablander, Roseanna Dillon and Mina Dillon.

Webster was preceded in death by his parents, Albert Harry and Annie Two Hawk, his sister Hazel Marshall, his first wife, Evelyn (Lambert) Two Hawk, his sons Guy McBride Sr, Webster Two Hawk Jr, his daughters Brook Ellen (Two Hawk) Boyd and Shannon (Two Hawk) Havens, several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Marge Two Hawk. His children Albert (Dr. Sophie) Two Hawk, Naomi (Two Hawk) Krogman Young, Castle (Two Hawk) LaCroix Kelly, Gordon King, Reta Bear Face; 35 grandchildren and 82 great-grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews and relatives.



In Loving Memory Of

Fr. Webster Pte San Tokahe

'Leading White Buffalo'

In Celebration Of The Life Of

The Rev. Dr. Webster Aaron Two Hawk, Sr.

Services

Lying In State at RST Council Chamber in Rosebud, SD Thursday - October 27, 2022 from 2-4pm

SGU Multipurpose Building in Mission, SD Wake Service: Thursday Oct 27, 2022 @ 7pm Funeral Service: Friday - October 28, 2022 @ 11am Burial: St. James Episcopal Cemetery - Horse Creek, SD

Officiants: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Jonathan H. Folts
The Rev. Dr. Lauren R. Stanley & The Rev. Richard Zephier
Senior Catechists: Erroll Geboe, Pat LeBeau & Don Eagle
Lay Minister Sherman Wright &
Traditional Prayers by Russell Eagle Bear

Pallbearers

Justin Boyd Alan Brunsch Gayle Tinant, Jr. Cole Dillon Gunner Krogman Guy McBride, Jr. Bret LaCroix, Jr. Lorenzo Dillon

Honorary Bearers

All Grandchildren, Nieces & Nephews All Relatives, Family and Friends

Memorials funds have been established to: St. Peter's Episcopal Church ~ Ft. Pierre, SD & The Rev. Dr. Webster Two Hawk, Sr. Scholarship Fund

"When at last I say good-bye,
Don't let your tears keep falling,
For when my time has come,
I'll hear my Savior sweetly calling.
And as He takes my hand,
All pain and cares will disappear,
And He will gently whisper,
'Welcome home.
I'm glad you're here."

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