



## Wilford Moroni Jake

June 3, 1941 - October 12, 2013

Wilford Moroni Jake passed away peacefully on October 12, 2013, at his home in Anasazi Valley, Surrounded by his family. Wilford was born on June 3, 1941, in Cedar City, Utah, to Carl Jake and Minnie John Jake. Wilford married the late Patrisha Grayman Wash in 1966 they latter divorced. He married Betty Jane Ackman 1984 and they reside in Anasazi Valley.

Wilford is a member of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah enrolled in the Indian Peaks Band of Paiutes. He learned his Paiute Traditions as a young boy while living in the mountains with his father Carl; Hunting, roping, riding horses, cattle guarding made him a rough tough cowboy; surviving cold winter storms in simple shelters and living off the land made him learn to appreciate the simple things in life. Wilfords greatest joy was his daughters Kris and Robyn and his Grandchildren, He always was teaching them Paiute Traditions such as Hunting, Dancing, Language and Singing and he loved to teach all his grandchildren how to box. Boxing was one of his favorite sports; he boxed Sipe Byee. Wilford lived in Las Vegas and worked for the State Highway with his brother in-law Kenneth D. Anderson, he also worked for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah as Maintenance. He also was a movie extra in many western movies. Wilford had made many friends whom he had met over his life time he was always joking making people laugh with his humor.

Wilford is survived by: his wife Betty Jake of Anasazi Valley, UT; Daughter

Robyn J. Moon of Tooele, UT; Sister Earnestine Jake Lehi of Cedar City, UT; Grandchildren, Wade Moon, Shanesse Moon, Sidney Jake, Lyric Moon, Angel Alvarez and many Grandchildren; Nieces and Nephews. He was preceded in death by: his parents Carl and Minnie Jake; Daughter Kris Jake; Grandson Layndon Elye Blue Moon; Brothers, Clifford Jake, John Jake Sr., Manell Jake; Sisters Edurine J. Kanosh, Melba Jake, Geneva J. Anderson, Jannette Jake, Shirley J. Bowman.

A traditional half night sing will be held Tuesday, October 15, 2013, at the Anasazi Valley home, 3333 Anasazi Dr. Ivins, UT. A visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013, from 1:30-2:30p.m. at the Iron Mission LDS Native American Branch in Cedar City, UT, with the funeral services starting at 3:00 p.m.. An all night sing will follow the funeral at the Paiute Tribal Gymnasium, 440 N. Paiute Dr. Cedar City, Utah. A sunrise graveside service will be held Thursday, October 17, 2013, at 8:00a.m., at the Cedar City Cemetery.

Friends and family are invited share condolences online at [www.SereniCareofStGeorge.com](http://www.SereniCareofStGeorge.com). Arrangements are under the direction of SereniCare Funeral Home of St. George 986-2085.

# Cemetery Details

## **Cedar City Cemetery**

685 N. Main Street  
Cedar City, UT