

White Buffalo Tragically Killed

Submitted by Sac and Fox tribal member Gloria Williams

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On May 12th of this past year, a white buffalo calf was born. It was Mother's Day. I also was born on Mother's Day. I felt a connection in that way, as well as the power, joy, and gift this meant to all Native people.

This particular buffalo calf was born on Arby little Soldier and his wife's ranch. They were riding their horses in the pasture. They saw a buffalo with its water bag hanging out.

Little Soldier said they wanted to stay and watch the birth, but the buffalo began circling around the mother cutting her off from view; that's their trait, they're protective. So they left them to protect the mom to be.

The next day a storm hit, with lots of lightning and thunder.

The white buffalo calf holds enormous sacredness for many Native American Tribes. Arby little Soldier, is the great-great-great-grandson of Sitting Bull and great-great-grandson of Henry little Soldier, son of Sitting Bull.

Arby said that the birth of a white buffalo is a one-in-ten million occurrence, and fills a prophecy that has lived in the hearts of many Native Americans for centuries. The calf was named "Lightning Medicine Cloud" in recognition of the circumstances of its arrival, and was highly guarded by both the war chiefs stationed at the ranch and the buffalo themselves.

Now I have heartbreaking news. Just a few days before Lightning Medicine Cloud's first birthday, Arby little Soldier found the calf murdered, killed. The buffalo calf's mother, "Buffalo Woman" was found dead the next day.

The white buffalo calf's father "Ben" had been killed earlier that same month, when he was struck by lightning during a storm that had several tornados in it.

My heart is heavy with this news. Sometimes there are no words for the sorrow you feel.

Little Soldier told reporters, "My people, my brothers, my sisters are all hurt for what has happened here at this ranch. You don't think things like this are going to happen to such a sacred animal, a sacred family."

Little Soldier said, "The calf's legend will endure at the ranch. He was the hope of all nations. You have taken the inner spirituality. You tried to stop what we're bringing back to ya'll, but you just opened the doors to release the message to all people."

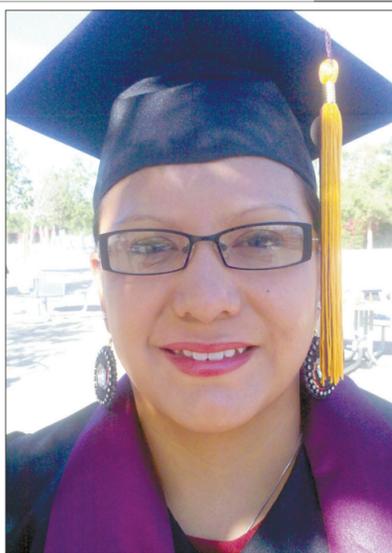
Little Soldier has issued a statement that says, "The White Buffalo was brought in by God, but taken out by hands of evil people."

The calf's birthday was going to be celebrated at a pow wow at the ranch.

Little Soldier said the scholarship pow wow will continue on as scheduled but will now serve as a memorial to the animal.

Now for good news. An Oregon peacemaker said she's so upset by the apparent slaughter of Lightning Medicine Cloud deemed "The hope of all nations" that her organization is donating a White Buffalo bull from its heard. Little Soldier hoped the 3,000 pound gift would arrive during the memorial celebration. They were going to try to surprise everybody.

Cynthia Hart-Button, the bull's caretaker and president of The Sacred World Peace Alliance said, "It is a sad tragedy of the calf's death. So instead of the thinking that they lost their hope, we're bringing their hope back in a different way. The bull's name is Hiawatha, the hope it will produce another white calf for the Lakota Ranch."



Colleen L. Butler

Colleen L. Butler Receives Degree from University of Phoenix

Colleen L. Butler graduated from the University of Phoenix in Phoenix Arizona on May 5, 2012. She received a bachelor's degree in Business Management. We traveled to Phoenix for her to have the opportunity to walk across the stage at the Phoenix Cardinals stadium. She worked hard for four long years completing online classes. We are all proud of her great accomplishment. Congratulations.

Kayla Michelle Masquas Graduates, Accepted to St. Gregory's



Kayla Michelle Masquas and Zinena Switch

Kayla Michelle Masquas, Sac and Fox member, graduated from Shawnee High School on May 15th, 2012. She was accepted to St. Gregory's and will start in the fall, majoring in Business. She is the daughter of tribal member Zinena Switch of Shawnee, and Josiah Masquas also of Shawnee, Granddaughter of the late tribal member George "Da Fooze" Switch, and tribal member Cara Mack of Shawnee, adopted Grandfather Jacob Manatowa-Bailey and Mark and Jena Masquas of Shawnee and Great Granddaughter of tribal member Linda Slick, and also the Great Granddaughter of the late tribal member Mary "Nancy" Walker.

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