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## Obituaries

### Edith Verlayne (Littlehead) Wilson

Edith Verlayne (Littlehead) Wilson, 63, of Shawnee, passed away March 27, 2014, at her home surrounded by family and friends.

She was born to Edward and Cecelian (Butler) Littlehead on May 3, 1950 in Pawnee, OK. She was an enrolled member of the Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma. She was also a descendant of the Absentee Shawnee and Euchee Tribes.

She was married to Edward Charles Spoon Sr. for over 20 years. She was then later married to Darrell G. Wilson Sr. for 9 years.

Verlayne graduated from Earlsboro High School and went on to earn her college degree at Bacone Jr College. She worked many years for the Sac and Fox Nation Housing Authority and later as a medical records technician for the Indian Health Service. After retiring she was active in tribal activities with the Sac and Fox Women's Auxiliary and the Sac and Fox Nation Elders Organization.

Verlayne loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. She played a very active role in her grandchildren's upbringing. She also enjoyed visiting with her many relatives and having fun at the casino.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister, Radonna Blanchard, and daughter, Lucinda (Spoon) Johnson.

She is survived by her daughter, Shawna Spoon, son, Edward Spoon Jr., daughter, Casey Wilson; grandchildren, Jeremy Johnson, Madison Johnson, and Aiden Mitchell; three brothers, Edward Littlehead Jr., Cecil Littlehead, and Ronald Littlehead; one sister, Clarissa Littlehead; several nieces, nephews, and other loving relatives and friends.

Tribal rites were held Saturday, March 28, 2014, at the Sac and Fox Reservation, Stroud. Burial was Sunday, March 29, 2014, at the Clark Family Cemetery in Shawnee Oklahoma.



Edith Verlayne (Littlehead) Wilson



**Landscaping Project:** The landscaping project at the Veterans Memorial located in Heritage Park is in progress. Landscapes USA, a company with over seventy national and state environmental improvement awards, was chosen to design the layout and installation of the project. There will be numerous types of trees, shrubs and grasses complete with a state of the art irrigation system. LandscapeUSA is located in Oklahoma City. (SFN Photo)

## Memorial Day Gourd Dance and Powwow

### SAC AND FOX NATION VETERANS' ORGANIZATION

SATURDAY, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2014

Sac and Fox Powwow Grounds, 5 miles South of Stroud, Oklahoma on Hwy 99  
(Inclement Weather-Sac and fox Community Building)

10am-Post Colors, Taps and Read Names at Sac and Fox Cemetery

#### Head Staff

Head Singer-Forest (Kisko) Walker  
Head Gourd Dancer-Cecil Wahpekeche  
Head Man Dancer-Daryl Wildcat  
Head Lady Dancer-Shayla Miller  
Arena Directors-Russell Saunders & Joe Estes  
Master of Ceremonies-Jaime Noble

2pm-5pm: Gourd Dancing  
5pm-6:30: Hot Meal served by Sac and Fox Veterans Auxiliary  
6:30pm-7pm: Complete Gourd Dance  
7pm until ?: Grand Entry, Memorial Song, Post Colors, War Dance

#### Honor Guard Invitation

Special Invitation to all Tribal Honor Guards

Door Prizes during Supper !

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