



## Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.

April 11, 1949 - April 23, 2022

Willis Wade Gay Jr. “Spugo”. He is also known as by his Osage name Tszihu Hanka. He made his journey home on Saturday, April 23, 2022. A lifetime resident of Bartlesville, Willis was born on April 11, 1949, at Memorial Hospital in Bartlesville, to Willis Sr. and Josephine “Joan” (Cox) Gay. He Married Janice Elaine Boone in his youth and later remarried Rhonda Kay Hilton.

Willis was a talented artist and enjoyed many different forms of art including drawing, painting, leather work, wood carving and more. He also liked dabbling in Martial arts. Some of his favorite past times were Gourd Dancing, Collecting art, country two-step dancing and spending time with his grandchildren.

He found a deeper relationship with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, through sitting around the Native American drum and singing as well as serving his loved ones in the most quiet, humble, and thoughtful ways.

Willis was preceded in death by his parents Willis and Joan Gay, two brothers, George Edward Gay and Richard Allen “Dick” Gay and his youngest son, Thomas Good Eyes Gay.

He is survived by his sister, Linda Jean and husband Bill Buford, Daughter Kathie Jo and husband David Jacobs, Son Willis Wade Gay III "Wolf", Daughter Ashley Belcher, eleven Grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

We will never know another Cowboy like him. God be with you, until we meet again.

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery

4200 Nowata Rd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Previous Events

## Come & Go Visitation

APR 25. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel  
1600 SE Washington Blvd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-4300  
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

## Funeral Service

APR 26. 9:00 AM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel  
1600 SE Washington Blvd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-4300  
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I wish I would have gotten to know you,, I always thought there was time. Sorry to hear this  
Your first born, Shelly,, I should have gotten to know you better*

**Shelly** - July 12, 2023 at 10:57 PM



*Shelly i am his grandson. Would you care to meet? I am on facebook.  
Kilan Jacobs*

**Kilan Jacobs** - June 07, 2024 at 04:20 AM



*I would love to meet you*

**Shelly Covington** - July 15, 2025 at 07:23 AM



“ *Jo And Kris Garrett lit a candle in memory of  
Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.*



**Jo and Kris Garrett** - April 26, 2022 at 09:00 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Flowers



Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - April 26, 2022 at 11:48 AM

BK

“ Barbara Ketchum lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.



Barbara Ketchum - April 26, 2022 at 05:15 AM

EB

“ very good neighbor if you could hear him play Indian drum was an honor thank you, you will be missed dear friend. Curtis & Elizabeth Booth



Elizabeth Booth - April 25, 2022 at 07:59 PM

BS

“ Bill & Jean Buford and Gary & Kim Smith purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr..



Bill & Jean Buford and Gary & Kim Smith - April 25, 2022 at 11:10 AM

JS

“ *Jeanne Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willis Wade Gay Jr.*



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**Jeanne Shepherd** - April 24, 2022 at 09:44 PM