



Henri Bart La Rue

February 15, 1951 - November 8, 2021

A Native American Army Vietnam Veteran Goes Home-

Henri Bart "Lash" La Rue III, a retired District Manager and Retired Army Private Officer 2nd Class, crossed over peacefully on November 8th, 2021 - surrounded by his beloved wife, son, friends, and family.

Lash being of Alaskan Tlin-Git Native American descent, was born on February 15th, 1951 in Richmond, California. He is preceded in death by his Father Henri Bart "KashKa" La Rue II, Mother Betty Jean "Jeanie" La Rue, Brother Michael La Rue, Brother Frank La Rue, and Grandson Logan Robert La Rue.

Lash traveled the world during his childhood with his family- his father also served in the military and went as far as Iran to live and serve. Lash completed and graduated senior high school while in Iran. He later attended college at Mississippi State University. He held many exciting and interesting careers and hobbies. From running an apple orchard, horse ranch, theatre & property management, and retail management. His hobbies included playing golf, watching ball games, traveling, visiting friends and family, road trips, and train exhibitions. He is survived by his first wife Donnis Kaplan, whom he later had his only son with in 1987, Henri Bart La Rue IV. He took great pride and pleasure in spending time with his son Bart and his grandchildren. He

especially loved to go fishing with his son, taking day trips to the lakes and rivers any chance they got. Lash lived for excitement, he and his son were avid paintball competitors and entered in paintball competitions all over the nation.

Lash was well known in the Native American community along with his father Kashka. They both traveled together to native festivals all year round. They proudly made native handmade crafts and were Tlin-Git storytellers, passing along the ancient stories to our youth and community members. Along his journey, Lash met the love of his life on the powwow trail 12 years ago and eventually married Ozetta Gipson in March of 2019. They traveled all over the country and lived happily together in Tavares, Florida.

Lash is survived by his wife Ozetta "Ms.O" Gipson La Rue of Tavares, Florida, his Brother Andy "Koosh" La Rue of Alaska, Son Henri Bart La Rue IV and Wife Robin, and Grandsons: Ryan, Blake, and Jackson La Rue of Lady Lake, Florida.

He is also survived by his Stepson Garold Gipson of Sorrento, Florida, Step-Grandchildren Marco and Ariadne Delgado, and Step-great grandchildren Blaze and Izabell Delgado of Dunnellon, Florida.

Lash enjoyed spending time just sitting and talking with his friends and family, laughing and telling jokes to lift our spirits up. Peace and love fill the air every time we shall remember our dearest Lash- we love you and we shall be reunited again.

"As is a tale, so is life: not how long it is, but how good it is, is what matters" - Seneca

To our dearest friends and family, we ask that in lieu of flowers/plants- that you please donate to the Disabled American Veterans organization. WWW.DAV.ORG

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory, 1123 W. Main St. Leesburg, FL 34748.

There will be a gathering at Beyers Funeral Home in Leesburg FL, at 11:30am to process to the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL for a 1pm Service.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Henri Bart La Rue*



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