

GREAT SECCI BAND LEADER PASSES

Lloyd Thompson, Chief of the Hummingbird Band of the Southeastern Cherokee Council crossed over March 15, 2011, in southern California. Below is his obituary:

Lloyd Thompson, Sr, was born to the union of the late Frank Lee Thompson and Bessie Mae Davis on October 29, 1950, in New Orleans, Louisiana. He was raised with his brother and cousins between New Orleans and Los Angeles.

Lloyd entered the Army February 18, 1972. After serving his country, he joined the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department in 1977. In 1980 at the Lynwood Sheriff's Station, Lloyd met his future soul mate, Sherry Louise Gilmore. After a brief courtship, Lloyd and Sherry married on February 14, 1981 in Big Bear, California.

Lloyd was determined to live his life to the fullest. He was fluent in eight languages, including his family's languages, Cherokee and French. One of his many unknown talents was his gift of writing. He wrote numerous novels as well as articles. He took the time to learn about every possible religion, so he could make an informed decision about the Creator. Lloyd was determined to enlighten others about the history of our country, our people and our Native American traditions. He spent the last 10 years of his life traveling to teach others about our traditions and dancing. Lloyd Thompson, Sr. was seventh in the world as an Eastern Warrior Dancer at the Schemitzun Feast of Green Corn Pow Wow and was extremely proud of that.

Lloyd was given the gift of new life, November 4, 2005. After waiting forty days, he was given the great news that he would be a recipient of a twenty year old heart. With a new found energy for life, Lloyd spent the last five years of his life enjoying every moment.

On march 15, 2011, Lloyd Thompson, Sr. crossed over. He may have left us physically, but he will forever be with us spiritually. He leaves to celebrate his life his wife, Sherry L. Thompson, sons Brykon Thompson, Lloyd Thompson, Jr, and Michael Thompson, daughter Anjelika Jauregui, daughter-in-law Thelma Jackson-Thompson, son-in-law Michael Jauregui, grandchildren Daevon Thompson, Cameron Thompson, Darian Thompson, Serenity Thompson, Makai Thompson, Amarri Quinones, Isaiah Quinones and Kiara Quinones, surviving brother Frank Thompson, Jr, surviving brother- in- law Barry Gilmore, and a host of nieces, nephews cousins, god-children and friends.

We will forever love, cherish and celebrate Lloyd Thompson, Sr.



Above: Lloyd Thompson And Wife Sherry At Wedding Vows Renewal Ceremony.

