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Horton, KS

Leonard M. Thomas, JR, Nish KA Wah Suck, 65, of Horton, passed on Thursday, January 12, 2017.

He was born December 8, 1951, in Holton, the son of Leonard M. Thomas, Sr. and Orcelia J. Mason Thomas.

JR was a member of the Kickapoo Tribe and followed the Drum way of life. He worked in the Tribe's Farm and Ranch Program.

JR and Karen S. Harrison were married on December 16, 1972 in Topeka. She survives, of the home.

JR was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Elwyn K. Miller and Loren J. Thomas.

Other survivors include a son, ThunderChild Thomas (Marisa Cole), Topeka; four daughters, Coleen Thomas (Andrew Pahmahmie), Jolene Thomas, Jayme Mitchell (Edward J., Jr.) and Adele Wahwassuck (Raphael), all of Mayetta; two brothers, Fred Thomas (Larene) and Moe Thomas (Cindy), both of Horton; and numerous grandchildren, nephews and nieces. JR was also an adopted father to the Wewenes family and Shayla Whitebird, and an adopted brother to Rose Allen.

Wake and drum services will be Sunday night, January 15th at the Kickapoo Community Building on the Kickapoo Reservation. Burial will be Monday morning in the Lena Mason Family Cemetery on the Kickapoo Reservation. On-line condolences may be made at chapeloaksfuneralhome.com