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### Mose McDonald, Sr.

ST. REGIS, Que. - Funeral services for Mose McDonald, Sr., 91, of St. Regis, Que. will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the St. Regis Catholic Church with the Rev. George Belgarde, S.G. officiating. Burial will be in Kateri Cemetery in Hogansburg.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday at the Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena.

Mr. McDonald died Monday evening (April 1, 1996) at Hotel Dieu Hospital in Cornwall, Ont., where he had been admitted the previous day.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Alexina Auger of Cornwall, Ont., Mrs. Richard (Alliene) Reymoe of Moira and Dr. Rose-Alma McDonald of St. Regis, Que.; four sons, Mose Jr. of Fort Covington, Raymond of Fort Jackson, Joseph of Bangor and David McDonald of Hogansburg; 23 grandchildren and 58 great grandchildren; one sister, Isabelle Lazore of Snye, Que.; and one brother, Philip McDonald of Hogansburg.

He was predeceased by four sisters, Rita White, Amelia Lazore, Helen Rouselle and Melissa; and four brothers, Louie, Albert, Joseph and Jerome McDonald.

He was born May 14, 1905 in Hogansburg, the son of Mitchell and Louise (Jock) McDonald. He attended school in Snye, Que. He married Mary Hopps on June 3, 1929 at the St. Regis Church with the Rev. Joseph Bourgat, S.J. presiding. Mrs. McDonald predeceased her husband on Oct. 4, 1976.

Mr. McDonald operated a farm on the Cook Road in Hogansburg for many years. He was also a millwright at the Alcoa plant in Massena for 26 years, retiring in April 1966.

Mr. McDonald was president of the parish cemetery association for many years. He was a member of the Alcoa 25 Year Club, and was president of the St. John the Baptist Society at the St. Regis Church for many years. He taxied many folks from the reservation. He was an active member of the St. Regis Church, and he enjoyed playing the harmonica.



### Thomas Lazore

CORNWALL ISLAND, Ont. — Thomas Lazore passed away on Monday, April 1, 1996 at the Hotel Dieu Hospital. Thomas (Tommy) Vincent Lazore of R. R. #3, Cornwall Island; age 49 years. Beloved husband of Elizabeth Martin. Dear father of Rodney (Tom) Pierce (Debbie), Lynn Pierce (Kenneth Leaf) and Regina Pierce all of R. R. #3, Cornwall Island, Kelly Pierce (David Bayne) and Elizabeth (Sweets) Lazore (Steve Viggiani) both of Rochester, NY. Dear son of Elizabeth Papineau and the late Louis Lazore. Dear brother of Robert Lazore (Betty), Mrs. Julia Francis and Marion Lazore all of St. Regis, Quebec and Ann (Mrs. Bernard Elward of Prattsburg, New York. Also survived by 11 grandchildren. Resting at the residence of Peter Martin, R.R. #3, Cornwall Island from 7 pm, Tuesday until 10 am on Thursday only.

Friends and relatives are requested to be present in St. Regis Church, St. Regis, on Monday, April 8 for Mass of Christian Burial at 3pm followed by interment.



### National Aboriginal Day

#### Question:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is for the Minister of Indian Affairs. Last December, the Minister participated in a Sacred Assembly where he was asked to establish a National Aboriginal Day that would formally recognize Aboriginal people and their place, and their contributions to society. I'd like to ask the Minister why he's considering such a day and if he will act on it?

#### Answer:

The National Aboriginal Recognition Day was passed by the Assembly in Quebec in 1990. It's been requested by the Assembly of First Nations, by the spiritual leaders, pushed by the private members of the NDP, by our member from Red Sucker, two weeks ago, by the Executive Committee of the Canadian Federation of Municipalities. Basically what they are looking for is a day of recognition, a day of celebrating the Aboriginal ties to the land. And the challenge to the Government of Canada was, were we prepared to do it from sea to sea? And, I'm pleased to advise the House and the members that we have reflected, the caucus, the Cabinet and the government. The Prime Minister will be announcing very shortly that **there will be a National Aboriginal Day. It will be Summer Solstice, June 21st of each and every year.** It will be a celebration of the spiritual ties of the Aboriginal people. A recognition of them as our neighbors and hopefully it will lead to a better future for all of us in Canada.



### Letter to the Community:

Why does Mohawk Council take a person's U.S. Social Security, when there is a Band Council Resolution made in 1978 that they are not suppose to touch their U.S. pensions (and still in effect as of March 1996).

To my understanding, the Mohawk Council is against the U.S. of taxing a person's Social Security benefits, when in fact they (M.C.) are taking all of a persons U.S. Social Security benefits. I have in my possession a letter which states "We plan to send his Social Security money to Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, S.D. & H., as representative payee."

If you're on welfare are you next? You take one you take them all!!

Name Withheld