



Lazore (Spin) Tarbell

ST. REGIS, Que. — Funeral services for Lazore (Spin) Tarbell, 80, of St. Regis, Que., was held Thursday at 10 am at the St. Regis Catholic Church in St. Regis, Que., Rev. Francis Belgarde officiating. Burial was in St. Regis Cemetery, St. Regis, Que.

Calling hours were Wednesday afternoon and evening at the Phillips Memorial Home.

Mr. Tarbell died Monday (April 15, 1996) at the Tsi Ion Kwa Nonh So:Te Nursing Home on Cornwall Island.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte of Syracuse; six sons, Eli and Richard of Hogansburg, Robert and Gregory of Cornwall Island, Frederick of Sault Ste. Marie and Erin Oakes of Hogansburg; three daughters,

Connie Tarbell of Hogansburg, Wanda of Cornwall Island and Barbara George of Cornwall Island; 20 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Mr. Tarbell was born in Hogansburg on January 29, 1916, the son of Lazore and Josephine Beaubien Tarbell. He married Charlotte Waterman.

At one time Mr. Tarbell worked as a groomer and trainer of horses in sulky racing. He also was a stock car racer in Canada. He retired as an iron worker out of Syracuse.

He also served in the U.S. Army.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tsi Ion Kwa Nonh So:Te Nursing Home on Cornwall Island.

Lillian Point

POINT, Lillian — At her residence on Sunday, April 14, 1996. Lillian Louise Point "Wahianoron" of R.R. #3, Cornwall Island; age 86 years. Dear daughter of the late Jake "Shakohontehtha" Point and the late Katherine "Kateri" White. Predeceased by several aunts and uncles. Also survived by many cousins and friends. Calling hours were at her late residence, R.R. #3, Cornwall Island from 7 pm Monday.

Funeral was on Wednesday, April 17, 1996 for Mass of Christian Burial at the St. Regis Parish Church, St. Regis, at 2 pm.

Spring interment, Kateri Cemetery, Hogansburg, New York. Funeral arrangements under the care and direction of the Cornwall Funeral Homes, West Branch, 20 Seventh Street West, Cornwall.

Ricky Square

Birthday - April 17th

Years roll by, but memories stay as new and dear just as if it was yesterday.

So many things to share with you since you were called away We cannot bring the old days back

if tears could build a stairway and heartaches were a road, we'd walk all the way to heaven just to hold you in our arms and bring you home again if God would only let you stay every day and every way memories of you come my way.

Nothing can take away those happy days or take the love my heart holds so dear.

Love Always, Mom & Dad.

Letter to the Editor,

Sekon, I'm writing concerning the article in the Standard Freeholder titled, "MOHAWKS TO GET NEW CASINO" Well, first of all, I feel that our people need a lot more healing. There's still a lot of crimes that were never solved or remain unanswered. People still walk amongst each other wondering who can we trust or who can we not trust?

Let's face the truth, our people don't need another 1990 war over gambling. Here we go again thinking money is going to solve all of our problems. Didn't the Creator give us a way to solve our problems.

The Creator gave us a clan system to work and function as a family and why are we pushing this away. Our people need to get out and meet with each other. We should be fighting land claims, taxation etc. How is that casino going to solve these other pressing issues. Walk around the reserve and see all the problems such as pollution and sickness that our people are subjected to. Diseases like diabetes and cancer

are going up at an astonishing rate.

I grew up and people could live off the local rivers by fishing, hunting and trapping. People made baskets and you could always hear someone outside pounding their logs for splints. Where is all this today?

We as Onkwehonwe are depending on our white brother far too much and are leaving our own beliefs on the backburner. The old people told us that when this would happen the Earth would begin to change and cleanse itself. Look around it's beginning to happen.

I would like to respond to Joseph Gray's article in which he printed the statement "there has been a sea of change in the community of Akwesasne" in the Standard Freeholder. First of all Mr.Gray, I don't think you live on the Akwesasne reserve so therefore I don't think you have an understanding of the present tension or "lack of it" which exists in our Mohawk community. I think the people are tired of all these fairweather politicians coming around our community trying to

butter things up. You don't speak for all of the people just because you are employed at the St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council on the "American side of Akwesasne." If you had any idea of the history of our people and our heritage then you would acknowledge Akwesasne as one territory belonging to all the Mohawk people regardless of what side of the 45th parallel one resides on. It's time you realize that what decisions you people make in office affects the entire reserve because we are all one people, Kanienkehake. We don't want to be called St. Regis Indians any longer.

Furthermore, as far as I'm concerned you are employed by a foreign government and that's the problem with Akwesasne today is that we have too many foreign governments running the show that continue to corrupt the minds of our people and make us hate one another. So as long as we have all these officials speaking on behalf of the Mohawks that live on "their side of the reserve" we will never get a respectable spokesman or opinion because

these officials do not believe that Akwesasne is truly the land or territory of the Kanienkehake or the People of the Flint Nation. Therefore I don't feel that any of these people have the right to say that Akwesasne feels this way or that way because they will never achieve an honest consensus of all the Mohawk people.

In conclusion I have to say that it's time for our people to wake up and get involved because all these fairweather officials that are hired by foreign governments are beginning to sell US common Mohawk folk down the already polluted river.

Let's not forget the teachings our Creator gave to us. Time is coming short for our Seventh Generation. Niawen kowa. Onen.

SAKOIATHIOSTA

