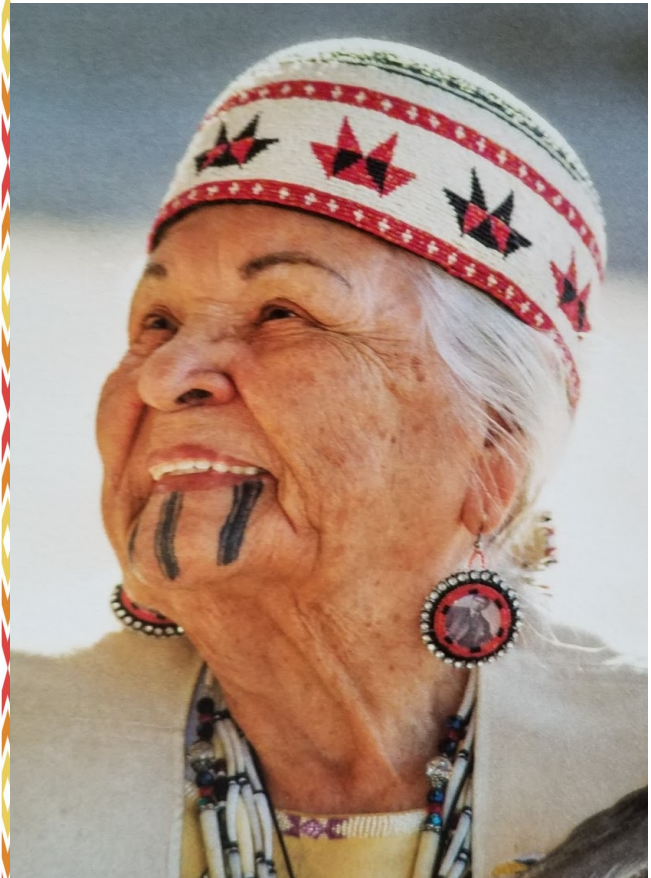


“We can join together, no matter what our religious or spiritual beliefs are, to save our Earth Mother and salvage our own existence. Since we’re all in this leaky canoe together, we need to be a united force that keeps on keeping on.”

Grandma Aggie,
“Wake Up World. 2015”

AGNES EMMA (BAKER) PILGRIM

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PALLBEARERS

Grandsons:

Budda Butler
Che' Butler
Creed Taylor
Jai Kibby
James Butler
Jason Vaughn
John Harrington
Robert Butler
Robert Taylor Jr
Rocky Gonzalez
Santee Marti
Shay Charley

Great-Grandsons:

Devin Martin
Isiah Beacham
Keyontae Taylor
Kody Kibby
Jai Kibby Jr
Jesse Widmark
Santee Martin Jr
Tyee Rilatos
Zhontae Sims

HONORARY
PALLBEARERS

Bill Stam
Bob Tom
Brent Florendo
Bristol Bayya
Darelle Butler
Darin Rilatos
David West
Dewey Lucas
Eddie Littlecrow
Enrique Gonzalez
Jaime Martin
Jason Tonge
Jim Woods
Jude Beacham
Kenny Chadbourne
Lee Ruff
Lester Simmons
Manuel Gonzalez
Matt Ruff
Phill Montana
Prentis Prudhomme
Ray Colby
Robert Sims, Sr
Tony Martin Jr.

Tony Jr.

Sonnita

Jaime

Manuel

Enrique

Tony Jr

Deets

Jason (Mischelene)

Jordan

McKenzie

Peyton

Santee (Angel)

Santee Jr

Devin

Kali

Keauna

Robin

Brianna

Brittney

Jacoby

Albert

Roberto

Antonio

Rocky

Precious

Lil' Rocky

Deh-nah-hee

Imani

Aleta Morningstar

Ramona

Ember (Jason)

Mason

Gavin

McKynna Rain

Darelle (Juanita)

Budda

Dandez

Che'

Samora

James

Robert

Luhui

Cheechio

Starbear

Sala

Molo

Niko

Axiwo-Xus

Alisyelo

Noheya

Kainani

Misty

Betty

Elizabeth

DESCENDANTS

Robert

Robert Jr
Victoria
Desiree
Justice
Nevaeh
Nayeli

Robert

Nathan
Katie
Rebecca
Zachariah
Savana
Sierra
Novaleigh

Abraham

James

Jordan

Mitchell

English

Aryan

Wyatt

Ronald (Miranda)

Anna

Keith

John

Charlotte

Diana

Grace

Katrina (Rob)

Kimberly

Natalie

Reylin Jadzia

Keyontae

Dayontae

Zhontae

Zaniyah
Kamariana
Hyana
Kelanhi Aggie

Brandy (Jai)

Kody

Faith

Bryan

Hope

Jai Jr

Creed

Andrea

Hannah

Dawn (Michael)

Kaleb

Kanaan

Kyla

Kwest

Nowitka (Daniel)

Jesse

Harmony

Sonja

Melanie (Matthew)

Abigail

Audrey

Nadine

Deana (Jude)

Isiah

Tanya

Quarnisha

Kymari

Chantele

Jasper

Tyee (Bethy)

Shay (Sunshine)

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Family Spokesman, David West

Prelude Music: Sonja Taylor

David West, Family Spokesperson

Opening Song

*The Lord's Prayer, Sung by Ember Hudson Tonge
Signed by Ramona Hudson*

Opening Prayer : Bob Tom

Life History -

Song Phill Montana

Remarks: Grandmother Mona Polocca

Song Chantelle Rilatos

Remarks: Grandmother Rita Long Visitor Holy Dance

Song Simon McCain

Open Microphone (anyone who wants to share a short story)

Song

Closing of Coffin

*Procession to gravesite in this order: Pallbearers, Honorary
Pallbearers, family members, everyone else*

Song: Phill Montana (traveling songs)

Gravesite prayer

Burial: Ronnie Butler, Jr (honor songs)

Open to anyone who wants to sing or talk.

*Thank you to Darelle "Dino" Butler for receiving mom's sacred
body for the wake in the dance house. Thank you to all for coming.*

*Family and friends are invited to a luncheon at the community
center following the burial.*

Agnes Emma Baker was born to Evaline (Harney) and George Baker in their Logsdon, Oregon home, near the head-waters of the Siletz River. George Harney, Agnes' grandfather, was the first elected chief of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz. She was sixth of seven children. Her siblings were, in order by age, Marian, George, Loyd, Evelyn, Tharold, and Gilbert. Agnes attended elementary school in Siletz and graduated from Taft High School in 1942. While in high school, she played guitar, piano and organ. Outside of school, she rode horses, gardened, could gut and can deer, elk, fruits and vegetables, and fished. She remembers standing on a wooden apple box learning to cook with her mother directing.

She raced cars, taught boxing, managed a restaurant, logged in British Columbia, sang in a band, worked as a scrub nurse, and rode a beautiful paint horse in the Pendleton Roundup Parade, cut her brother's hair and was a barber in a jail, and was a nightclub bouncer, just to name a few of her many talents. She also could sew; and, when someone criticized her for using a sewing machine for making regalia when the old ones didn't, she said to them, "If they had a sewing machine, they would have used it. They're no dummies!" When someone complimented her in the making of native things, and asked her how she came up with the ideas, she said, "I just use my Injun-uity!"

In 1970, in a dream, she felt the word of God calling her to protect the environment. So, she made a change and turned to a spiritual path. At that time, she took on the name of her great-grandmother, "Taowhywee", meaning Morningstar. She began traveling to various places promoting care of Mother Earth, and the animals and waters, who had no voice. She became the Voice for the Voiceless.

Then, in 1985, at age 61, she graduated from Southern Oregon State College with a bachelor's degree in Psychology, and a minor in Native American Studies. Later, she was the founder of Southern Oregon University's (SOU) Konaway Nika Tillicum Native American Youth Academy. Shortly after graduation, she became an alcohol and drug counselor in Crescent City, California where she worked for about 10 years. During this time, she was a member of the United Indian Health Services board. Next, she moved to Grants Pass, OR.

From 1994 to 2015, she brought back the Sacred Salmon Ceremony promoting the protection of salmon. She was an advocate in the promoting the removal of dams along the Rogue River, which culminated in their successful removal and cleanup by 2012.

She was an adviser to the All Care Health Board. She truly loved and blessed all her doctors every day.

In 1995, she appeared in the movie, "Dead Man Walking," featuring Johnny Depp.

In 2001, she was featured on the television show, Martha Stewart, where she and family members taught Martha about cooking Salmon on sticks.

In 2002, she was awarded the SOU Distinguished Alumni Award for her work for the environment.

In 2004 in New York, she co-founded the 13 International Council of Indigenous Grandmother's. She was chairwoman and a board member for the past 15 years. She has traveled to the Alaska, Amazon (Brazil), Australia, Canada, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Nepal, New Zealand, Spain, Switzerland and to various

tribal lands within the U. S. Their Mission Statement: "We, the International Council of Thirteen Indigenous Grandmothers represent a global alliance of prayer, education and healing for our Mother Earth, all Her inhabitants, all the children, and for the next seven generations to come. We are deeply concerned with the unprecedented destruction of our Mother Earth and the destruction of indigenous ways of life..."

In 2006, famous carver Russell Beebe, Ojibwe, carved a 19' totem," *We Are Here*, that included her likeness. It was created in commemoration of the Takelma Indians of the Rogue River of which she was a proud descendant. In 2013, the totem was moved indoors on the SOU campus and a bronze replica by Jack Langord was put in it's original location. Both statues were generously sponsored by Loyd Haines. Baker-Pilgrim said, "To me, to have the bronze sculpture done means it will last into perpetuity...To be there forever is a great step forward...The ancient people still have a presence here."

During her visit to Rome, Italy in 2008, the Grandmother's Council requested Pope Benedict XVI to repeal a Roman Catholic edict, the Papal Bull. The pope declined to receive them. She met with the Dalai Lama in Nepal; and, again, five more times; including when he came to visit the U.S. for the Environmental Summit in 2013.

In 2015, she authored a book, "Wake Up World!" "It tells the story of her life authentically and organically in genuine storytelling fashion.

All through the years, she traveled to many different lands and countries and 2019 wasn't any different. She traveled to Sedona, AZ for the Grandmas Gathering. Then, to Nashville, TN for the Chooses Peace Festival. Next, Cincinnati, OH for the World Peace and Prayer Day, where she was with Chief Arvol Looking Horse, for the second time. And, also Port Townsend, WA for Global Earth Repair conference. At this year's Annual Parade for the Confederated Tribes of Siletz pow-wow, she was very happy to be honored as the Grand Marshall. Also in August, SOU awarded her the President's Medal. The university's highest honor..." This award was for her work to preserve and protect native cultures, the earth, particularly the water, throughout the world.

She was a member of the Siletz tribe's Cultural Resources Committee from Restoration in about 1977 through 2019.

As a life-long member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, they call her a "Living Legend and Living Treasure", and, at the time of her death, she was the oldest living member of the Siletz Tribes.

She is the mother of six children: Robert, Keith, Sonja, Nadine, Tony Jr., Ramona and Darelle "Dino" Butler. Robert, Keith and Tony Jr. preceded her in death. She has 30 grandchildren and 70 great-grand children, and 18 great-great-grandchildren, and, numerous nieces and nephews. Her husbands, Robert Taylor Sr, Antone Martin Sr and Grant Pilgrim, preceded her in death.

She referred to her friends, from throughout the world, as her Rainbow Bridge Family, because it connected cultures together around the globe.

She has left her descendants, family and others a legacy to be honored for the next seven generations to come and more.