



In loving memory of

MADILEINE ZOE

'1889 - '1993

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Nick Zoe talks about his mother:

Yati TLICHO (Fr Duport) knew my dad when he used to live here(Fort Rae).

The children used to live on fish when they were receiving their education and Yati knew that my father was a good fisherman and that was why my father fished for them in Fort Resolution.

My mother used to make tea and cook for my dad before he got up and prepared all the things he needed for work, and then she would prepare the children even though they were still nursing and bundle them up and go to Church about a mile away.

After she left for Church,my dad would go to work and that is how far I remember her and her dedication to the Church.

It's been a long time and when my Father mentioned going home to Fort Rae,Pierre Mercredi was the Hudson's Bay trader and William Hope was the interpreter for him.

He said to my dad that he should not go with the White People across Great Slave lake with the children as they are not carefull in their ways and he should wait until next Summer to go back when a motor was installed on a Schooner and he would not have to pay then and he worked for them on the mail run.

My mother and Ligo's wife's older sister were the same in their committment to the Church and the services. She would prepare everything for my father before she bundled up the children and go to Church regardless if it was windy or raining hard and that was her commit-

We did not always live in Rbe as we lived also in the bush. In the morning we can hear her praying as we wake up and she would be kneeling in front of a small picture of Christ, tacked on to a tent pole with a single nail. Whenever she went out to gather food, she would have her rosaries in her mitts and pray as she walked. Sometimes she would say "did anyone see my rosaries" and we would tell her to look in her mitts. That's the way it was.

Sometimes, there was a blizzard and in those days, there was no road from where we lived and visibility was zero. She would put on her snowshoes and go to Church and she would be gone for a long time as she would go to visit and sit with other sick people on their deathbed. Eventhough my father was sick she would do all she could for him and go make her rounds to help with other sick people.

She would sit with people until they died and prepare the body and have laid in the Church and dress them up and then go home with the grieving families to lend her support.

She has accomplished something big in her work and she was involved everyday in something.

Do this even when I am gone is what she seems to be saying in her actions, and it is difficult to put to words her life as there are no words to express her dedication. Through God we might be able to speak to her."

Nicholas Zoe

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My GRANDMOTHER had a kindness that embraced all life. She knew her place well and was comfortable in giving everything she had.

This is the tradition of myive women. Chief D. George

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MADELEINE INK'AYAMQ was born in the Fort Rae region
on June 14, 1889.

On August 13, 1907, she married Benjamin Zoe.

They had 11 children:

Louis, Joseph, Veronique, Nicholas, Marie Adele, Sarah, Edward
Helen Margaret, Dora, George and Elizabeth.

Veronique married Philip Tinqui and they had 1 child.

Nicholas married Elizabeth Qualli and they had 9 children

Edward married Marie Agnes Lafferty and they had

8 children

Dora married Edward Smith and they had 7 children

Sarah married Joseph Beaulieu and they had 9 children

Most of those grandchildren have their own family, their
own children and grandchildren.

Madeleine will be remembered for many reasons but parti-
cularly for being a hard working wife and mother. She did
not know how to waste time.

She was known to assist sick people, dying people.

She was a well known midwife.

But most of all, she will be remembered for a strong
faith and her wisdom.

To the last day of her life, she was teaching, counselling
advising, encouraging all the members of her large fami-
ly.

To her family, our most heartfelt sympathies and our
prayers.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.