

Biography

The Logan Alexis Singers is a roundance group made up of family members and protégés of the late Logan Alexis beloved father, respected elder and community member.

From the time they were small, their father would sing and drum to entertain his family. He would even softly hum to the babies as they slowly fell asleep. He would always find a way to calm any situation or family crisis through drumming songs and telling stories the old days. There are many stories of how the family and children would grow tiresome from listening to the constant practise of his new songs. You can still see the worn mark on his headboard from the hours he spent lying in his room writing songs.

As the years passed the children got older and began to get involved with drugs and alcohol. In order to lead his family out of this harmful way of life Logan focused his time and effort to bringing them back to home to reality. He would spend time with each one alone hunting, fishing, building or even just over talking over a simple lunch. To his grandson he promised to give him his most prized possession, his drum if he stopped feeding his body drugs. To this day this young man keeps his end of the deal and stays as far as he can from drugs. One by one the singers picked up the drum and joined in when late Logan would sing, soon they became brave enough to take the show on the road. At that point even a blizzard on the coldest day of winter couldn't hold them back from attending a roundance hours away.

Travelling with their father to roundance's as far as Saskatchewan for the evening was so exhilarating that they would do it all over again the next day.

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Since then they have learned different honour songs (birthday, memorial, anniversary), they also sing as a group with the big drum in pow wow celebrations. Following in their fathers footsteps they spend many evenings rehearsing, editing and changing the words to songs until it just right. Each of the members who sing is strong willed in keeping the group together and most of all keeping their culture and family values strong. The entire family supports the group, including the women who stand proud and sing at their brothers, uncles and husbands side during roundances.

Before the family lost Logan to cancer the boys were able to record the first album of more to come. Since then they have recorded a total of four albums with the name the 'Logan Alexis Singers' under the label 'Sunshine Records'. This group was one of the first to record a 'live roundance' album recorded at their fathers 4th Annual Memorial Roundance. They invited singers from all over with special invited guests who were long time roundance companions of their fathers. This is said to be the biggest memorial traditional roundance of all time. Their mother Jean Alexis dedicated each day throughout the year to prepare for next roundance. She sewed ribbons shirts every year a different colour for her sons, nephews, grandsons and invited guests. She also prepared traditional food, organized family fundraisers and bought giveaways for her guests. She is the backbone to all 4 annual memorials. This was her way of dealing with the loss of the love of her life.

There are approximately 15 - 20 members that make up the group, all of which contribute thier heart and soul into their songs. Each a unique style and exceptional talent that draws a big audience everywhere they go. This family of singers have dedicated their last four albums in tribute to the greatest man they have ever known, Logan Alexis. The following is an individual personal profile on singers of the group.

