



## Bobby Kenneth Hicks

February 5, 1934 - November 14, 2014

Bob K. Hicks died on Friday, November 14, 2014 at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, DC. He was 80 years of age. Bob was born February 5, 1934 in Okmulgee County to Robert Hicks and Ella Scott. He was a legendary Native American Filmmaker and was in Washington for the performance of his play, *The Dawes Commission*, at the Smithsonian Institute. Arrangements are pending with the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. [www.mcclendon-winters.com](http://www.mcclendon-winters.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV **23**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-1677  
info@mcclendon-winters.com  
<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Okmulgee  
311 W. 5th Street  
Okmulgee, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bobby Kenneth Hicks*

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December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



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**Sandy** - September 21, 2018 at 03:54 PM



“ *I went to say good bye to Bob today. He looked at peace. I learned so much from him. He was the best at what he enjoyed doing, even at the end. He will be missed in sharing his talent, directing, producing and making that magic of creating great plays and film. My sincere condolences to family and friends.*

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**Vernice Willis** - November 23, 2014 at 07:50 PM

KB

“ Bob Hicks was a very long-time friend whom I will greatly miss. He gave much more than he took. He gave me many opportunities over the years. I feel extremely fortunate that I got to spend three months working with him this summer, discussing his film, talking about his future directions, visiting peach orchards, garage sales, and watching and talking about movies. Over his career, he helped hundreds of Native people who were working or trying to work in the performing arts. He was wonderfully inciteful, maintained very high standards on all his own productions, and had an encyclopedic memory of motion pictures. An early film he made, "Return to the Country," a comedy about what if Native Americans still governed the land, was recently honored by the UCLA Film and Television Archives as one of best films made by Native filmmakers. On his recent film, "The Dawes Commission," he built internships into the production staff, so that local Native people could get on-the-job training in film production. Almost every crew position had an intern or interns attached so they could learn job skills from working professionals. Bob was also extremely committed to helping perpetuate the Mvskoke language by producing plays like "Two Sisters" and "The Dawes Commission" with all or most of the dialogue written in Mvskoke and pronounced by fluent native Creek actors. He was obsessed with analyzing ways to increase the achievements of Native Americans in the arts, sports, and politics. We spent all summer talking about that. The Mvskoke Nation has lost a national treasure. R.I.P. Bob.

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**Kevin Cloud Brechner** - November 23, 2014 at 07:00 PM

SR

“ Sonya Rock lit a candle in memory of Bobby Kenneth Hicks



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**Sonya Rock** - November 22, 2014 at 09:20 PM

JB

“ Bob was a close friend of mine for many years. He always encouraged me to pursue my love of acting as he did so many others. He mentored many native Americans through the years and was instrumental in portraying native people in film with truthfulness and honesty. He shall be remembered with much love, gratitude, and affection. Prayers for his family and many friends he helped along his journey in this life. I shall remember him with much affection and love. Jana Burler-Rhoads



Jana Butler-Rhoads - November 20, 2014 at 10:12 PM

MS

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MD

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MARILYN CLOUD DUNSON - November 20, 2014 at 03:16 PM

FF

“ Florence Frank lit a candle in memory of Bobby Kenneth Hicks



Florence Frank - November 20, 2014 at 08:22 AM

BJ

“ Brandi Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Kenneth Hicks



Brandi Johnson - November 19, 2014 at 04:26 PM

KL

“ KoKo Lowe lit a candle in memory of Bobby Kenneth Hicks



KoKo Lowe - November 19, 2014 at 02:34 PM

PB

“ I first met Bob in the early 80's. He cast me in a role for one of his American Indian Theatre company productions, " The Great Turtle Migration". That experience changed my life in many personal ways. Lifelong friends!...Bob being one of them. I never knew him but to be generous and kind with all who crossed his path. His life mattered! He made a difference! He will be remembered! He will be missed! Thanks Bob!!!!

paul brown - November 18, 2014 at 10:49 AM



“ *It is with my deepest regret that I send you my deepest condolences on the loss of your loved one, Bob Hicks. He will be greatly missed by me. May God wrap his comforting arms around you during your time of loss. Amen*

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**Geneva Bair** - November 17, 2014 at 12:33 AM



“ *Geneva Bair lit a candle in memory of Bobby Kenneth Hicks*



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**Geneva Bair** - November 17, 2014 at 12:29 AM