



Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point First Nation

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Statement on the passing of Chief Thomas Bressette

The Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation Chief and Council are saddened to learn of the passing of former Chief Tom Bressette.

Chief Bressette served the Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation in many capacities dedicating much of his life to the advancement of his community and others.

He worked as Drug and Alcohol Addictions Counsellor before entering Politics in 1986. He was a Council member for 2 terms before being Elected Chief of the Community in 1990. He was also elected as Ontario Regional Vice Chief to the Assembly of First Nations from 1997 to 2000. He returned home and was re-elected as Chief from 2000 to 2008. In addition, he worked as a consultant for 4 years before being re-elected again as Chief in 2012 to 2018. Tom served as a Board Member of the Union of Ontario Indians and Chair of the London District Chiefs Council and was a founding member of the Southern First Nations Secretariat. He served in many other capacities that enabled our First Nation to advance forward and will certainly be remembered for his pioneering spirit.

Tom was a lifelong advocate for all First Nations and will be greatly missed by many people Nationwide.