

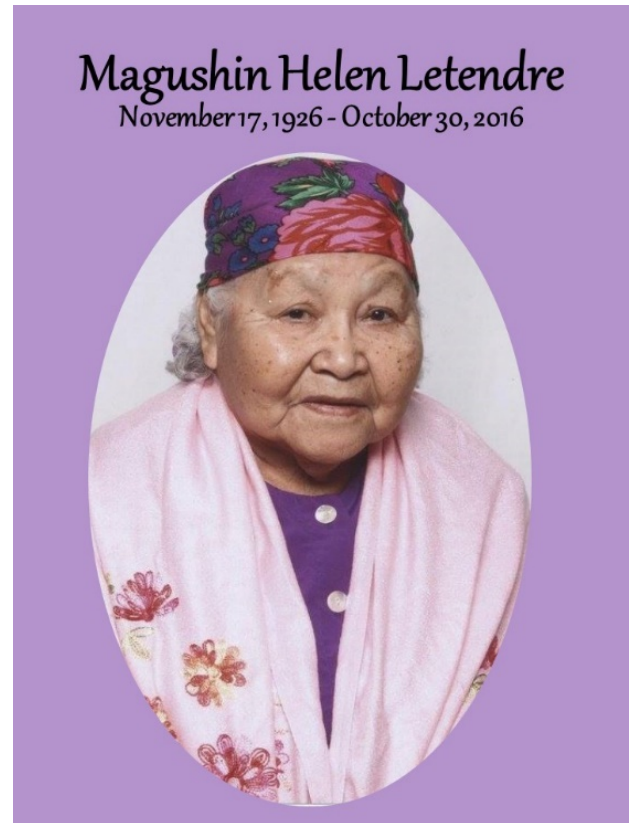
The Grandmother's Song

“That song I keep close to me because it has a lot of meaning and there is a story behind it. It is not only mine. It is a story of grandma and it also has to do with the story of getting to know my uncle Heston and my dad. My dad and uncle Heston were the ones that made that song and it was a tribute to grandma from their perspective. They shared the song with me and what it was about and I liked it right away because it was for grandma and other grandmothers around. It had a hard impact on me, it made you think about the Magushins (Grandmothers) around and the melody was beautiful.”

~Aaron Letendre, November 17, 2019

Aaron Letendre is the eldest of four and his parents are Tyrone Letendre and Melissa Potts of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation. Traditional Singing and Dancing has always been a passion of his since he was a young child. His father and "Uncle Heston" encouraged and inspired him to use his singing voice to help people. That is how he was able to sing "The Grandmother's Song" a tribute song to his Magushin (great-grandmother) Helen Letendre, one of his greatest supporters and spiritual guide until she made her journey to be spirit world.

Aaron continues to use his voice to inspire youths to FIGHT FOR HOPE despite the daily challenges they're faced with in the community. He currently plays Junior Hockey for Barrhead and plans to continue his working with N'we Jinan, “a non-profit organization that develops, implements, and executes artistic and educational programs in First Nations, Métis, and Inuit communities and schools.” <https://nwejinan.com/>



4 Generations of Helen Letendre

