# The Biography of Ben Nighthorse Campbell: A Hero's Journey

Ben Nighthorse Campbell was a Native American politician who served in the United States Senate from 1993 to 2005. He was the first Native American to serve in the Senate since Charles Curtis in the 1920s. Campbell was a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe and was born on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Montana. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War and later worked as a teacher and businessman. Campbell entered politics in the 1970s and served in the Colorado House of Representatives and the Colorado State Senate. In 1992, he was elected to the United States Senate, where he served on the Armed Services Committee, the Indian Affairs Committee, and the Energy and Natural Resources Committee.



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Campbell was a strong advocate for Native American rights and worked to improve the lives of Native Americans. He was a co-sponsor of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, which allowed Native American tribes to operate casinos on their reservations. He also worked to increase funding for Native American education and healthcare. Campbell was a respected leader in both the Native American community and the United States Senate. He was known for his intelligence, integrity, and sense of humor. Campbell died in 2012 at the age of 78.

#### **Early Life and Education**

Ben Nighthorse Campbell was born on April 13, 1933, on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Montana. He was the son of Charles Nighthorse Campbell, a Northern Cheyenne chief, and Mary Weasel Bear, a Crow woman. Campbell grew up in a traditional Native American home and learned the Cheyenne language and culture. He attended the Bureau of Indian Affairs school on the reservation and later graduated from high school in Lame Deer, Montana.

After graduating from high school, Campbell joined the United States Army. He served in the Korean War and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his bravery. After his military service, Campbell attended the University of Colorado Boulder, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration. He later earned a master's degree in education from the University of Northern Colorado.

#### **Political Career**

Campbell began his political career in the 1970s. He was elected to the Colorado House of Representatives in 1974 and served until 1978. He was then elected to the Colorado State Senate, where he served from 1978 to

1992. In 1992, Campbell was elected to the United States Senate. He was the first Native American to serve in the Senate since Charles Curtis in the 1920s.

Campbell served in the Senate for 12 years. He was a member of the Armed Services Committee, the Indian Affairs Committee, and the Energy and Natural Resources Committee. Campbell was a strong advocate for Native American rights and worked to improve the lives of Native Americans. He was a co-sponsor of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, which allowed Native American tribes to operate casinos on their reservations. He also worked to increase funding for Native American education and healthcare.

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#### Legacy

Ben Nighthorse Campbell was a pioneer and a trailblazer. He was the first Native American to serve in the United States Senate in over 60 years. He was a strong advocate for Native American rights and worked to improve the lives of Native Americans. Campbell was a role model for Native Americans and for all Americans. He showed that anything is possible with hard work and determination.

Campbell's legacy will continue to inspire generations to come. He was a true hero and a shero to his people. He will be remembered as a man who made a difference in the world.

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