Han Chief Dies

Arthur Stevens, the last living full-blooded Han, a branch of the Kutchin Athabascan tribe, was buried last week in the town of Eagle, where he once served as Chief of his people.

Born in Forty Mile country in 1904, Arthur began as a deckhand on the riverboat KLONDIKE, and eventually became its pilot, carrying sup-

plies downriver from Whitehorse to the mouth of the Yukon until the boat went out of service in the '40's.

His parents were Louise and Big Stevens.

Arthur is survived by his wife, Sophie Andrew, originally from Circle, whom he met and married 48 years ago, and by his children: Martha Malcolm of Eagle; Fred Stevens of Daly City, California: Andy Stevens of Tacoma, Washington; and

Silas Stevens of Fairbanks.

There are sixteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The Stevens made their home in Fairbanks from 1965 to the present time.