

# **Dan Lisburne**

The Tundra Times was saddened to learn of the death this week of Dan Lisburne of Point Hope. Dan was most recently tending to the affairs of the Tigara Corporation, the village corporation at Point Hope formed under the Native claims act.

His roots in the Native movement go back much farther than that, however. Long a leader in Point Hope, he was involved in the formation of the early Northwest Alaska Native Association. Not only was Dan a leader he inspired and encouraged leadership qualities in others. A number of the current crop of leaders in northwest Alaska have received their positions of leadership after feeling the gentle prodding and energetic support from the gentleman from Point Hope.

When the first statewide meeting of Alaska Natives was achieved in 1966, Dan was there, representing his people. We will miss Dan, and will be always inspired by his role in shaping the destiny of his people.