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Margaret is Navajo and Oklahoma Seminole Indian. Her mother was Towering House Clan (Kiiyanni), her maternal grandfather was Salt Clan. Her Seminole father was Tiger or Mountain Lion clan. She grew up in towns across northern Arizona. She started sewing doll clothes at age 9. In high school and college, she made most of her own clothes. She holds degrees in Elementary Education and Library Science. She taught school in Ft. Defiance in the early 1970's and worked at Navajo Community College in the mid-70's as Director of Library Services. She started designing updated versions of tribal clothing for herself and eventually wrote a book titled, Native American Fashion: Modern Adaptations of Traditional Wear which was published in 1981. Shortly after that she started her business making and selling mostly women's clothing and also quilts. She and her husband raised two sons of whom they are very proud. Today, her creative emphasis is quilting but she still makes some wearable art. Her clothing is available on her website and thru Navajo Spirit in Gallup, NM. Her quilts can be periodically seen in museum shows around the country and on her website, www.Margaretwood.net.