

# Download North American Indian Burial Customs

American Indian: American Indian, member of any of the aboriginal peoples of the Western Hemisphere. The ancestors of contemporary American Indians were members of nomadic hunting and gathering cultures. These peoples traveled in small family-based bands that moved from Asia to North America during the last ice age. The indigenous peoples of the Americas are the Pre-Columbian peoples of North, Central and South America and their descendants. Although some indigenous peoples of the Americas were traditionally hunter-gatherers—and many, especially in the Amazon basin, still are—many groups practiced aquaculture and agriculture. The impact of their agricultural endowment to the world is a testament to ... Tree and Scaffold Burial. We may now pass to what may be called aerial sepulture proper, the most common examples of which are tree and scaffold burial, quite extensively practiced even at the present time. The pictures listed in this leaflet portray Native Americans, their homes and activities. They have been selected from pictorial records deposited in the National Archives by 15 Government agencies, principally the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of American Ethnology, and the United States Army. - North American Indian Burial Customs