

BIG CHIEF NO SEE-UM

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We spent the night in a very beautiful State Park called Stone State Park. There were only 2 RV's and several tenters there. The morning found us eagerly anticipating the quest for the statue in Aberdeen SD.

Driving the two-lane state roads is a bumpy experience, however this was offset by the fact that we only saw 4 cars in 57 miles! It was Sunday morning and most of this area's population was in church.

Here again, we had the most accurate directions we could have. As we came close to town, the dreaded detour sign appeared. The entire city street that the statue was on, was closed. Would you believe, the entire main street of town was torn out and was being re-concreted!



We wandered about, trying to avoid dead-end and closed streets, and finally found a man who knew where the park site was. He did, however tell us that the statue had been removed several years ago and all that remained was the foundation that supported it!

Here is what is left of our Indian, who is off to the Happy Hunting Ground in

the Sky!

We decided to call it a day and we will stay a couple of days at a beautiful State Park called Mina Lake. We did have a little rain today, which cooled things off a little bit.

Dave & Bonnie