McGregory "Mack" Hailey (1955-2008)

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McGregory "Mack" Hailey was born on Jan. 30, 1955, in San Bernardino, to the union of Robert and Mary Ellen Hailey. He attended elementary and junior high school and graduated from Barstow High School in 1973. He attended Barstow Community College and Antelope Valley College. He worked as a construction worker in Oakland and was a member of the St. Rest Missionary Baptist Church in Oakland. He returned to Barstow where he resided until his death.

Mack was very active in sports throughout his academic years. In his sophomore year at Barstow High School he was the starting catcher for the varsity baseball team. He was part of the wrestling team and also played football. Mack was named "All Golden League" Fullback First Team in 1972. After high school he continued his admiration of sports and coached for the Babe Ruth Baseball League in Oakland for over 25 years. His team received several league titles and won two Cal-Ripken All-Star World Series Championships. Other than coaching he enjoyed life listening to music, eating good food and just hanging out with family and friends playing the game of dominoes.

Mack departed this life on April 21, 2008. He is preceded in death by his father Robert L. Hailey Sr.; and daughter, LaQuatha Hooker. He leaves to cherish his memory two sons, Kyle Jones of Oakland, and McGregory Hailey of Bakersfield; two daughters, Laressa Mary Ellen Hailey of Barstow and Stardazia Hailey of Oakland; mother, Mary Ellen Hailey of Barstow; brothers, Robert Hailey Jr., and his wife, Brenda of Sacramento, Leslie "Pete" Hailey and his wife, Patricia of Barstow, Chester "Chuck" Hailey and his wife, Verlena of Lancaster, Barney Hailey and Willie Hailey both of Barstow; sisters, Athena Clay, Alma Hailey and Beatrice Mattingly all of Barstow; sister-in-laws, Mary Hailey of Barstow, and Betty Jo Hailey of Oakland; grandchildren, Darren, Derrell, Terrell, Lamonice, Nakey, Isaiah, K'Len, Lucciano, and KaNijah; special children, Iriesha, Anbraya, Tina and grandchild, De'Jhean; longtime friend, Cecilia Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

A Celebration of Mack's life will be held on Saturday April 26, 2008 at Union Missionary Baptist Church, 1360 Riverside Drive in Barstow. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m., with a service to follow at 11 a.m.

Arrangements entrusted to Horizon Memorial Services of Barstow, 252-

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