

## **WILLIE L. HAILEY Sr.**

### **Obituary**



**WILLIE L. HAILEY SR.** Willie L. Hailey Sr entered into the arms of our Lord on December 12, 2012. He was 55 years old. He was the sixth child born to Robert and Mary Hailey on November 7, 1957 in Barstow, California. He grew up in Barstow and attended local schools graduating in the class of 1975 of Barstow High School. He graduated and received his Associate's degree at Barstow Community College and later obtaining his Bachelor's degree in Criminology at Sacramento State University in 1980. Willie entered into the California Highway Patrol Academy in 1980 and was assigned to the Santa Fe Springs Area. In 1982, Officer Willie Hailey Sr transferred back to the Barstow Area where he remained for the rest of his career. In 1997, Willie was elected and served two terms on the Barstow Unified School District School Board. He coached both Pop Warner football and became the Defensive Coordinator coach for Barstow High School Freshmen and Varsity football teams. As a coach he spent countless hours teaching young men morals and values not only on the field but in their everyday lives. On December 16, 2008, he was elected as Barstow's first Black-American City Councilman for the City of Barstow. He enjoyed watching old westerns on television, camping, hunting and fishing in the High Sierra's. Willie was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers Leslie (Pete) Hailey and Gregory (Mack) Hailey. He is survived by his newlywed wife, Karyn, two sons, Willie (Lizette) Hailey Jr, of Barstow, California, David (Tiffany) Hailey of Victorville, California, five daughters, Nicole Hailey and Andrea (Walter) Portillo of Las Vegas, Nevada, Taylor Hailey of Barstow, California, Danielle Atia of Hollywood, California and Felicia Hopkins of Santa Monica, California. Three brothers, Robert (Brenda) Hailey and Barney Hailey both of Sacramento, California and Chester (Verlina) Hailey of Gilbert, Arizona. Three sisters, Athena Clay, Alma Hailey and Beatrice Mattingly all of Barstow, California. Thirteen grandchildren, Christian, Danielle, Arianna, Eileen, Gabriel, Daniella, Leslie, Elias, Alisaria, Jahnay, Kayron, Mia and Leila. A Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday December 20, 2012, at Union Missionary Church, 1360 Riverside Drive in Barstow. Services will be held on Friday, December 21, 2012 at Barstow Community College gymnasium, 2700 Barstow Road at 10:00 a.m. and burial to follow at Mt. View Memorial Park. Repass will be held at Cora Harper Community Center, 841 Barstow Road. Arrangements entrusted to Horizon Memorial Services of Barstow.