Darlene Barela

Darlene Marie (Ruiz) Barela beloved wife and mother went to be with the Lord on August 17, 2012. Darlene was born on April 17, 1952 in Tucson, AZ. to parents Manuel "Andy" Ruiz and Josephine (Josie) Villafana of Tucson Az. Darlene was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Barstow and served several years as an Alter Server Coordinator and trained the first Alter Server girls. She was the "Uniform Lady" for the Barstow High School Marching Band for 19 years.

Darlene is survived by Joseph "Danny" Barela, her husband of 40 years; children Christy of Leesburg, GA. Eric (Tina), Steven, and Valerie of Barstow. Her siblings: Rene Ruiz (Lola) of Tucson, AZ; Margo Padilla (James) of Victorville; Bridget Wolford (Brian), and David "Judas" Villafana (Samuela) of Las Vegas, NV; Alma Villafana ,Adrian "Speedy" Villafana and Adam Villafana of Tucson, AZ as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Darlene was preceded in death by her mother, Josie and son Jonathan.

Darlene will be remembered for her sense of humor, cheerful nature and friendliness to all she met. She loved spending time with her family at home. Her strength and wisdom will be missed by all her knew her.

Services for Darlene will be on Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 505 E. Mt. View St. The Rosary will be at 9:00 am, and Memorial Mass at 10:00 am.