

## **Lorraine Denise Tafoya (1959-2010)**

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Lorraine Denise Tafoya, 51 of Barstow, entered into the arms of our Lord on Dec. 10, 2010. She was surrounded by the love of her family when passing peacefully at the family home, after her strong battle and challenge of trying to overcome cancer. She was a loving and dedicated wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, aunt, niece, cousin and friend.

Lorraine was born in San Bernardino, Calif., to parents Dennis and Ida Saiz, on Jan. 16, 1959. With the exception of living in Cheyenne, Wyo., for three years and Salem, Ore., for two years, she was raised and lived most of her entire life in Barstow, graduating from Kennedy High School in 1977. She married her husband Robert on June 8, 1992. She was a member of 4 Runners Ministries.

She can be remembered by her family as a loving happy heart, serving God and her family graciously with all the love she could give. Her advice was always welcomed by so many and she loved helping people when in need. Her quiet time was spent reading Christian books, reading scriptures and listening to Christian music. Lorraine also had a fondness for the sounds of Elvis Presley, traveling to Las Vegas or getting together with family and friends at Los Domingo's, Sizzler or Del Taco.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Tafoya of Barstow; three daughters, Gabrina Tafoya, Magdalene Tafoya, Mariana Tafoya all of Barstow; two step-sons, Matthew Tafoya and Robert Tafoya Jr., both of Barstow; two step-daughters, Cynthia Foreman of Amarillo, Texas, and Vanessa Tafoya of Barstow, Calif.; Lorraine's father and mother, Dennis and Ida Saiz of Barstow; a sister, Viola Aragon of Montana, five brothers, Ivan Saiz, Robert Saiz, Wayne Saiz and Dennis Saiz all of Barstow, and Manuel Saiz of Montana. Lorraine also had 10 grandchildren and many numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation and services will be held on Friday, Dec. 17, 2010, at Connection Community Church, 850 E. Main St. in Barstow. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m., with a Celebration of Lorraine's Life starting at 10 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to Horizon Memorial Services of Barstow, 760- 252-5222.

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