

## Walter William Melton (1919-2011)



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Walter William Melton Jr., 91, of Barstow passed away March 1, 2011 in Loma Linda, Calif. Walter was born June 12, 1919 in San Bernardino, and had been a resident of Barstow for 90 years.

He was a graduate of Barstow High School before joining the [U.S. Navy](#) where he served in the Pacific Forces in [WWII](#). After the war, Walter worked for the railroad, postal service and was a barber before finally retiring from the MCLB as a Captain with the MCLB Fire Department. He was also a member of the Riffian Historical Society, and the Barstow Masonic Temple.

Walter is survived by his two sons, Thomas (Tom) Melton and his wife, Susie, and Terry Lee Melton and his partner, Robert Rhoads; grandchildren, Kyle Scott Melton, Tracy Lee Rhoads and Kristen Scott Blanton; great-grandchildren, Ali, Chloe, Claire, Brett, Brandon and Luke; and Walter's companion for the last 19 years, Charlene Jones.

Walter was preceded in death by his wife, Wanda R. Melton.

The family wishes to thank all those who have provided so much love and support for him over the years. Services will be held this Saturday March 5, 2011 with visitation at 10 a.m. at Mead Mortuary Chapel, followed by a graveside service at Mountain View Memorial Park at noon. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Barstow Veteran's Home activity fund.

Arrangements provided by Mead Mortuary, 36930 Irwin Road. Barstow, Calif. 760-256-5671. [www.meadcares.com](http://www.meadcares.com)

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