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Council mourns the loss of former delegate Leo R. Begay

WINDOW ROCK – Members of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council sent condolences to the family of Leo R. Begay, a former member of the Navajo Nation Council, who passed away on Wednesday at the age of 77.

“He served the Navajo people with great honor and respect and we will always be grateful for his service on the Council,” stated Speaker LoRenzo Bates (Nenahnezad, Newcomb, San Juan, Tiis Tsoh Sikaad, Tse’Daa’Kaan, Upper Fruitland).

Begay served four terms on the Navajo Nation Council, representing the community of Chinle.

Council Delegate Nelson BeGaye (Lukachukai, Rock Point, Round Rock, Tsaile/Wheatfields, Tsé Ch’izhi), who served with Begay on the Council, said Begay was a well-respected and humble leader who was also a good family man and public servant.

“Delegate Begay was very well respected among his colleagues and the community of Chinle. His contribution to the Council and the community will always be appreciated and remembered,” said Delegate BeGaye. “The Council sends our condolences and prayers to his family.”

Services for Begay will be held on Thursday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m. at Chinle Grace Fellowship Church. The family will have a meeting Friday and Monday evening at Chinle Chapter to discuss details of the service.

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