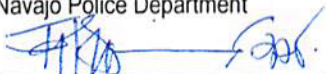




NAVAJO POLICE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

MEMORANDUM

TO : All Departmental Personnel
Navajo Police Department

FROM : 
Ivan G. Tsosie, Police Captain
Delegated Chief of Police
Navajo Police Department

DATE : March 24, 2015

SUBJECT : **Loss of an Officer**
Re: Senior Police Officer Alex Yazzie, Shiprock Police District

As you may know through various media, Shiprock Police District lost an Officer on Thursday night, March 19, 2015, in a gun battle on the east side foothills of the Chuska Mountains, Red Valley, Arizona. Officer Yazzie was fatally wounded at the location. Senior Police Officers James Hale and Herbert Frazier III were also injured by suspect's fire. Officer Hale and Frazier are recuperating from their injuries and are with their families. Shiprock Police District continues to mourn the loss of one of our finest. Although, we may hear negativity from people who were not there we will continue to be vigilant in providing police services to the people – who are our only care. Those negative people are only bringing their personal issues to light at this time because they see an opportunity. So, I humbly ask that you join us as we help lay Senior Police Officer Alex Yazzie to rest. He was very proud to be a Navajo Police Officer and a United States Marine. The funeral will begin at 1000 hours, with the rest of the events falling-in thereafter. The funeral, burial and reception will be at the following locations:

Funeral Services: Pinion Hills Community Church,
5101 North Dustin Avenue
Farmington, New Mexico, 87401

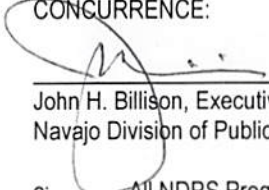
Burial Services: Memory Garden Cemetery
6917 East Main
Farmington, New Mexico, 87402, and the

Reception: National Guard Armory,
1101 West Navajo Street,
Farmington, New Mexico, 87401

*Funeral services are on Friday, 03/27/2015

Navajo Police Personnel maybe excused to attend, subject to the approval of their immediate supervisor and Commanders. Officers wanting to participate in the motorcade and escort from the Desert View Funeral Home, Shiprock, New Mexico, into Farmington, New Mexico, should contact their immediate supervisor; in addition, the District Commanders will contact Police Sergeant Rory Atcitty with names and units of personnel who may attend. All police units shall be clean. Sergeant Atcitty may be contacted at (505) 368-1354. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact this office. Thank you, and may the holy people protect you and your families.

CONCURRENCE:


John H. Billison, Executive Director
Navajo Division of Public Safety

3/24/2015

c: All NDPS Programs