



Earl Ross

July 11, 1936 - February 9, 2014

Earl, also known to his friends as "Smooth," was born to James Owens and Hester Batiste Ross on July 11, 1936. Both of Earl's parents and a younger brother, James Ross, Jr., preceded Earl in death.

Earl was the first child born to James and Hester Ross. He and his siblings were raised in an African American Community known as "The Wheatley Courts", where he attended school in San Antonio Public School System. Earl was a fun-loving person who became a friend to everyone that he met. He would remark that "everybody knew him" and he was VERY proud of that fact. Give him a compliment of any kind, and he would flash that toothless grin from ear-to-ear.

Although Earl did not father children himself, he loved being around and sharing time with all of his nieces and nephews.

As Earl is received in his heavenly home by members of his family who has preceded him in death, he is held in loving memory by both his sisters; Betty Ross and Charles Etta Ross Phillips, his brother, Anthony Ross, Sr., of Phoenix, Arizona, and a host of nieces, and nephews, other relatives and treasured friends