



Goodbye Powell

March 11, 2005

Tragedy has once again struck the Arizona Wakeboard Association family and with great sorrow we must say goodbye to long time member, fellow rider and friend: Powell Williams.

For those who knew Powell Williams, you know the great man that he was. For those who did not know him, he was a dedicated friend and rider who always had a smile and a kind word to say about everyone. He would drive two hours to the AWA events from Tucson and his friends would anticipate his arrival.

March 10, 2005 at 6:30pm, Powell Williams died in a Tucson hospital after being struck by a drunk driver while riding on his Harley the previous evening. Powell suffered severe brain trauma and was not receiving the proper amount of blood and oxygen to his brain to sustain his life.

A wise man, Albert Pine, once said, "What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us. What we have done for others and the world remains immortal." Powell was an organ donor and we are proud to report that the hospital has located recipients for all of his organs, and in death Powell has the chance to give life to countless other people.

Services for Powell will be held at Pantano Baptist Church in Tucson on Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at 1 PM. The address for Church is 225 S. Pantano Rd. and it is located on the corner of Pantano and Broadway in Tucson. Powell is survived by his mother, father and sister, Lisa. The Williams family would love to hear from all who knew Powell and you can send your thoughts and prayers to 2336 Regatta Court, Lake Havasu, AZ 86404.

The AWA would like to honor Powell by raising money for a local drunk driving or designated driver awareness campaign. If you are interested in supporting this fundraiser, please contact Christine Cameron at azwakeboardassoc@cox.net.

It is important that we remember our friend, not in death, but with the memories of his great and selfless life. We love and will miss you, Powell!