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Funeral Services Set for Maintenance Specialist Ruben Baez

(Sept. 20, 2005) Services for Maintenance Specialist Ruben Baez, who died Sept. 14, are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday at Holy Family Church in Artesia.

The Rosary will be held at 8 p.m., Wednesday, and a Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m., Thursday. Holy Family Church is located at 18708 South Clarkdale Ave., Artesia.



Ruben Baez

Burial following the Mass will be at Forest Lawn Cemetery, 4471 Lincoln Ave., Cypress.

Baez, 62, joined Metro in January, 1970 and was assigned to the old Division 16 in Pomona. He retired in February, 1993, but rejoined the agency and was assigned to the Regional Rebuild Center as a maintenance specialist.

"Ruben was a great friend and will be missed for his personality and willingness to always help and teach anyone whenever they requested his assistance," wrote his friend, Maintenance Specialist Leader Jim Avila.

Avila noted that Baez was instrumental in modifying and repairing bus and rail heat, ventilation and air conditioning systems. "His expertise will be greatly missed," he wrote, adding that the agency "has lost one of its best technicians and hardest workers."

Baez, a resident of Ontario, is survived by his wife, four children and several grandchildren.