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Updated notice:

Services are scheduled for Lamont Tucker, Metro Rail Train Operator

- A viewing will be held Tuesday, March 10 at the Rose Hills Mortuary in Whittier from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Information, directions: [Rose Hills Memorial Park and Mortuary](#) is located at 3888 Workman Mill Road in Whittier.
- Funeral arrangements have been set for Wednesday, March 11, at 1 p.m. at the Rose Hill Hillside Chapel (enter through Gate 17).

(March 6, 2009) Lamont Tucker, 43, a Metro Rail train operator who joined Metro in 1999 as a part-time bus operator, died after a short illness at his home in Corona on March 3. Mr. Tucker would have been 44 years old on March 13.

Mr. Tucker began his career with Metro as a part-time bus operator in March 1999. In October 1999, he became a full-time bus operator at West Valley Division 15.

While an operator at Division 15, he received a commendation for assisting passengers during a bus bridge in the aftermath of a tragic Metrolink accident in 2005. In June 2005, he transferred to Rail Operations as a train operator.

"Lamont was a valued member of the Metro Red Line Division where he helped to serve our customers by transporting them safely to their destinations with a smile," said Esther Pippins, Rail Transportation Operations Supervisor who was the basic rail operations instructor for Mr. Tucker.

"To put it into rail terms, he was our little engine that could. His goal was to work hard everyday to be a better operator and to share his experiences with other new operators who struggled along the way so that they could make their way up that hill," she said.

Mr. Tucker is survived by his sister Sherry Tucker and two nieces, Bria and Ashley Pye. He also leaves behind a host of friends and relatives.



Lamont Tucker