



## **Sergeant**

**Brandon Mendoza**

**Mesa Police Department**

**End of Watch: May 12, 2014**

Sergeant Brandon Mendoza was killed on his way home from work on May 12, 2014, when his car was hit head-on by an impaired driver going the wrong way on the freeway. There were many calls to 911 regarding this wrong-way driver who traveled 30 miles and four freeways. The driver was killed instantly and Sergeant Mendoza was rushed to the hospital where he died a few hours later.

Sergeant Mendoza began his association with the Mesa Police Department as a Police Explorer. He then became an Animal Control Officer before entering the academy and becoming a Police Officer. Prior to his death, he had recently completed and passed his sergeants exam. The promotion was done posthumously the evening before his funeral service.

Sergeant Mendoza served thirteen years with the Mesa Police Department. He is survived by his family, parents, two brothers, and a sister.



## **Police Officer**

**Jair Cabrera**

**Salt River Police Department**

**End of Watch: May 24, 2014**

Police Officer Jair Cabrera was shot and killed while making a traffic stop during the Memorial Day Weekend DUI Task Force. The suspect vehicle stopped at a gas station near the intersection of Chaparral and Pima Road on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community at 3:05 am.

A subject armed with a rifle exited the car, steadied the rifle on the roof, and opened fire on Officer Cabrera. He was struck in the head by one of the rounds before he could exit his patrol vehicle. Three subjects fled the scene on foot but were all apprehended.

Officer Cabrera served seven years with the Salt River Police Department. He is survived by his parents, brother, and girlfriend.



## **Police Officer**

**Bryant Holmes**

**Chandler Police Department**

**End of Watch: October 28,  
2014**



**Police Officer Bryant Holmes was on his way to work when a vehicle ran a red light and collided into Officer Holmes motorcycle. Officer Holmes was going northbound on Recker Road and went to turn left onto Baseline Road when he was struck by a Jeep Cherokee headed west on Baseline.**

**Officer Holmes served five years with the Chandler Police Department. He is survived by his wife and four children.**



## **Police Officer**

**David Payne**

**Chandler Police Department**

**End of Watch: October 31,  
2014**



**Police Officer David Payne was killed when his police motorcycle was struck by an impaired driver at the intersection of Chandler Boulevard and Pennington Drive.**

**He was stopped at a red light at 12:40 am when the impaired driver rear-ended his motorcycle and then fled the scene. The driver was arrested a short time later and charged with second degree murder, hit-and-run, and child endangerment.**

**Officer Payne was a member of the Arizona National Guard and served with the Chandler Police Department for seven years. He is survived by his parents, step-son, and daughter.**