

Ronnie Wallace – Hamilton Park 2010 Social/Civic Wall of Fame



Ronnie Wallace lettered in track and football at Jesuit. He was a member of a record-setting mile relay team in 1972. He also qualified for state in the 100-yard dash, the 440-yard dash, the 440-yard relay and the mile relay teams. Wallace was All-District and received All-City Honorable Mention as a defensive back. Wallace continued to excel on the gridiron as a scholarship athlete for the University of New Mexico. As a sophomore he led the Western Athletic Conference in interceptions. He was second team All-Conference and holds fourth place on the all-time list for interceptions in the history of University of New Mexico.

In 1992, the NAACP awarded Wallace the Martin Luther King, Jr. Freedom Award for outstanding community service.

Wallace received the 1995 Humanitarian Award from the City of Albuquerque's Human Rights Board.

In 1997 he was presented the Wings Award from the National Council of Negro Women for Service to Youth in the Albuquerque Community.

He was also recognized as the 1998 Man of the Year by the Weekly Alibi, a weekly state publication.

In 1999 he was recognized as a Distinguished Graduate of the University of New Mexico's School of Public Administration.

Ronnie Wallace was the Gang Intervention Project Specialist for Albuquerque, and in 2008 retired from the City of Albuquerque and was responsible for the implementation of strategies for reducing youth violence in Albuquerque.

Ronnie is also the publisher of The Perspective Magazine, from 2000-2011, and the Focus Statewide Magazine, from 2009-2011 the only African-American publication in New Mexico.

Additional Accomplishments

New Mexico Peacemaker Award in 2001

Martin Luther King Dream award in 2003

The Centry of Leadership Award from the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity in 2006

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Legacy of Leadership award in 2008

Ronnie, has two sons, Jerron and Dante.