



Isreal Padilla, Jr. [above]
aka "Sophia Black"

Izzy passed away Aug. 21, 1995 from AIDS. Born in Puerto Rico on Jan. 3, 1969, and raised in Bronx, New York, he moved to Dallas in 1988. A beautiful man, a beautiful woman, a beautiful human being. He was the current reigning Miss Buddies. Until he became ill, he was manager of American Locksmiths in Denton. He is survived by mother Lillian Perez; father Isreal Padilla; sisters Marie and Lillie Padilla; nephew Dary Crews; aunt Aurea Perez; and his lifemate, Mark Miller. A memorial was held Aug. 27 at Buddies in celebration of his life.