

## **Brian Butler – Director, National Board**



Of Aranda and Loritja descent, Brian Butler was born and lived in Bagot compound in Darwin and was then sent to St Francis House in Adelaide. Brian has been advocating for the rights of his people since 1952 mainly in the areas of health, children and families.

He was a founding member of several Aboriginal organisations including the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) and the Aboriginal and Islander Stolen Generations Alliance (SGA) and he was the ATSIC South Australian Zone Commissioner for 3 years.

Now, nearly 60 years later, Brian continues to advocate for his people ranging from infants right through to elders, constantly pushing for justice and encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander peoples to stand on their own feet and take charge of their own lives.