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San Bernardino County Fire Marshal Mike Horton dies

Brian Rokos, The Sun

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San Bernardino County Fire Marshal Mike Horton died recently after an illness, the department announced on Nov. 2, 2022. (Courtesy of San Bernardino County Fire Department)

San Bernardino County Fire Marshal Mike Horton died this week after an illness.

“Our hearts go out to his family and friends. Forever in our hearts,” the Fire Department wrote in a Facebook post.

After Horton’s death was announced Wednesday, Nov. 2, tributes poured in from those who had worked with him in the fire service, other friends and members of local fire safe councils.

Horton was often front-and-center at news conferences where he would promote fire safety and warn about the dangers of fireworks.

S Horton began his career in 1981 with the Norco Fire Department. He also worked for the Riverside County Fire Department, among other agencies, before becoming deputy fire marshal in San Bernardino County in 2006 and fire marshal in 2013.

He also taught at the Crafton Hills Regional Fire Academy.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2022/11/04/san-bernardino-county-fire-marshal-mike-horton-dies/>

Firefighters save home from nighttime blaze

Stacy Moore, Hi-Desert Star

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A county firefighter puts down flames burning a toy hauler next to a house on Elk Trail in Yucca Valley Friday morning, Nov. 4.

YUCCA VALLEY — County fire crews battled flames in a vehicle and house at 7426 Elk Trail early Friday morning.

The fire was reported to the emergency dispatch office at 2:04 a.m. “County Fire arrived on scene a few minutes after dispatch and reported a toy hauler burning to the rear of a home,” Capt. Jeff Allen, from the Joshua Tree fire station, said. They knocked the fire down in 10 minutes, he added.

“The home did suffer some minor smoke and fire damage, but firefighters were successful in preventing the fire’s spread into the main living space,” Allen said. “The home is still habitable and no occupants were displaced.”

The county fire department sent nine people to the scene — two paramedic engine crews, an ambulance with paramedics and a battalion chief. The county Sheriff’s Department assisted at the scene.

<https://hidesertstar.com/news/183349/firefighters-save-home-from-nighttime-blaze/>

Funeral Procession For Fallen San Bernardino County Fire Department Captain Karl Hegle

Staff Writer, Pain In The Pass

November 3, 2022



VICTORVILLE, CA. (Pain In The Pass) >> A funeral procession was held for fallen Fire Captain Karl Hegle Thursday evening.

The community said farewell on November 3rd to **San Bernardino County Fire** Captain, who died from battling pancreatic cancer. The procession included numerous ambulances, fire trucks as well as law enforcement vehicles. The San Bernardino County, and Victorville Fire Department used multiple ladder truck to fly the American flag for the procession to drive under on multiple overpasses that started in Upland to Victorville.

Captain Hegle began his career in the fire department in 1995 with the California City FD and remained there until 2007 when he was hired by the Upland FD. He faithfully served that city up until 2017, when the San Bernardino County Fire Department took over the duties formerly performed by the Upland Fire Department. Karl Hegle was given the opportunity to minister to a new congregation in Wrightwood. Since 2017, he has been working as a firefighter at Station 14 in Wrightwood.

Everyone on our staff rallies around Karl Hegle and his family to support them in their battle against terrible illness. We will continue to make every day a gift for Karl and his family by working hard to achieve this goal. We are asking the communities that we serve to come alongside us as we move forward to provide Karl with comfort, strength, and healing.

Event for raising money in support of Captain Karl Hegle. Rescue Brewery is located at 167 North Second Avenue in Upland, California 91786. At 4pm to 9pm on Thursday November 17 with bagpipes and drums to appear at 6pm. The profits from the sells of beer are distributed to Captain Hegle and his family. In addition to the silent auction, there will be a raffle with a 50/50 split of the proceeds. At this time there is no pubic info on the funeral service.

The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department said it appreciates the outpouring of support for the passing of one of its own.

Our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

<https://paininthepass.info/2022/11/03/funeral-procession-for-fallen-san-bernardino-county-fire-department-captain-karl-hegle/>

Motorcycle accident on SB I-15 in Hesperia causes a backup on freeway and Mariposa Road

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News Group

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HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A motorcycle accident in the bypass lanes of the southbound I-15 resulted in traffic to backup on the freeway and Mariposa Road.

It happened at about 2:52 pm, on Saturday, November 5, 2022, just north of Rancho Road. The crash involved a black 2017 Honda Civic and a black motorcycle Harley Davidson.

According to the California Highway Patrol incident logs, the female rider with a helmet hit her head on the center divider.

San Bernardino County Fire responded and advised they would have the by-pass lane shutdown. The rider and one other person were both transported to Desert Valley Hospital.

CHP temporarily stopped all traffic on the southbound I-15 close to the Highway 395 on-ramp for approximately 15 minutes. Motorist searching for alternate routes took Mariposa Road but were also jammed in traffic on the two-lane roadway.

The investigation is being handled by the Victorville CHP station.

<https://www.vvng.com/motorcycle-accident-on-sb-i-15-in-hesperia-causes-a-backup-on-freeway-and-mariposa-road/>