

Charles Rito 'Bro' Rivas

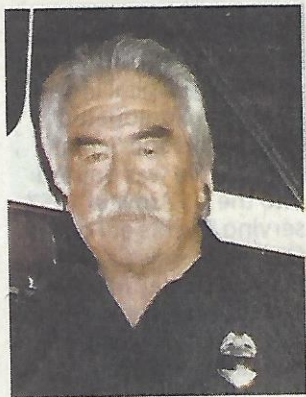
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SAN DIEGO — Once in a while there is a man who is brave, humble, honest, and kind...a gentle giant loved by many. Chuck Rivas was just such a man. He passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 31st with his wife Marilyn, by his side.

Chuck was born and raised in San Diego. He attended St. Brigid's Catholic Elementary School where he was an Altar Boy. He was also an Altar Boy at Saint Augustine High School. He completed his education at USD.

Chuck spent 33 years of his life as a San Diego Firefighter. He worked all over the city but spent about 20 years as an Engineer at Pacific Beach Station 21s. Known as "Bro" to his fellow firefighters he knew the fastest way to get anywhere in San Diego. After he retired his crew would often tease their new Engineer with the words, "This isn't how Bro would have gone...This isn't how Bro would have done it!"

Chuck lived for more than 40 years in South Mission Beach. He enjoyed being a member of OMBAC. He will be



missed terribly by his wife Marilyn, his children Dan and Kim Rivas, his grandchildren Tyler and Kendall, his well-loved sisters and brother Chris Blume, Robbie Carlson and Tony Rivas (another SDFD Retiree), and his many adored nieces and nephews one of which followed in his footsteps as a fire fighter on the East Coast.

His Funeral will be at St. Brigid Catholic Church, 4735 Cass St., San Diego, CA 92109 at 12:00 p.m. Memorial immediately following at St. Brigid's Parish Hall. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Cancer Research Institute in his name.

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