

### **Teamsters Striker Killed in Auto Accident was MTA Retiree**

(Oct. 22, 2003) A Teamsters Union striker who died following an automobile accident outside a First Transit Inc. facility, Tuesday, was a retired Metro Bus operator with almost 30 years' service.

Hamilton Lylum, 78, had worked the past eight years as a bus driver for First Transit following retirement from MTA. As he drove away from the First Transit facility in Compton, his car was struck broadside by an oncoming vehicle.

The accident happened right in front of the picket line he had just left, stunning his co-workers. Lylum was a member of the Teamsters Local 572, which has been on strike against First Transit since last week.

First Transit contracts from MTA to operate 15 bus lines, of which 12 have been affected by the Teamsters strike.

Lylum, who lived with his wife in Harbor City, joined MTA in June 1957 and over the years had worked at Arthur Winston Division 5 and other operating divisions. He retired in January 1987 from South Bay Division 18. His brother, Benjamin, now deceased, was a division manager.

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