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In Memoriam

Remembering Those Who Died During 2005

(Jan. 12, 2006) Metro employees paid their respects to a number of co-workers who died during 2005.

MyMetro.net posted obituaries for 15 employees and one former Board member. Here, in memoriam, are the names of those we lost in 2005:

- North Los Angeles Division 3 Operator **Quincy Carroll** died Feb. 9 at age 69. Carroll joined Metro in July 1973 and since 1984 had been assigned to Division 3. He retired Aug. 27, 2004, with 31 years' service.
- Deputy Chief Labor Relations Officer **Rudolph (Rudy) Lipscomb** was found dead, Feb. 16, at his home in Irvine. Lipscomb, 56, had fought a lengthy battle with diabetes.
- Transportation Planning Manager **Joan Wood** died Feb. 22 at age 55. A former employee of CalTrans, Wood joined Metro in January 2000 and was a member of the San Gabriel Valley Area Team.
- Metro Bus Operator **Beverly Brown** died March 10 at age 49. Brown joined Metro as a bus operator on April 8, 1984, and worked out of Division 18 for her entire career.
- **Carmen Aguayo**, a senior customer service agent with 22 years' service, died April 6 at Kaiser Baldwin Park Hospital. Aguayo, who was born in Guadalajara, Mexico, would have been 50 years old on her birthday, April 17. She joined Metro in March, 1983.
- Former Los Angeles County Supervisor **Deane Dana**, who also served as a member of Metro's Board of Directors, died April 21. He was 78.
- **Gary Clark**, deputy executive officer for Government Relations and Board Research Services, died June 22 at his home in Long Beach.
- **DA McClain**, Board transportation deputy, died June 28. McClain, 43, died at her home in Arcadia following a long struggle with cancer.
- **Karen Pedini-Impliazzo** died Aug. 5 following a long illness. Pedini, 55, joined SCRTD in March, 1984, beginning her career in Customer Relations. Most recently, she had been employed as a stenographer at Division 8 before taking medical leave in June 2004.
- **Phung K. Phung**, a Facilities Systems technician leader, died Aug. 27 at Arcadia Methodist Hospital.
- Retired Metro Mechanic Leader **Art Garcia** died, Aug. 30, at his home in Palmdale. Garcia, 68, retired in 1995 after 34 years service with Metro.

- **Calvin Louie**, a senior administrative analyst, died Aug. 30. Louie, 65, joined Metro in April 1982 and retired in May, 2003 after 21 years' service. He most recently had worked in Transit Operations Support Services.
- Maintenance Specialist **Ruben Baez** died Sept. 14. Baez, 62, joined Metro in January, 1970 and was assigned to the old Division 16 in Pomona. He retired in February, 1993, but rejoined the agency and was assigned to the Regional Rebuild Center as a maintenance specialist.
- Transportation Operations Supervisor **William Warren** was killed, Oct. 10, in an automobile accident. Warren, 68, was driving to his home in Palmdale following an overnight shift when the accident occurred.
- Retired Customer Service Agent **Vivian Williams** died Nov. 26 following a bout with cancer. Williams, 50, retired Oct. 15 with 24 years' service.
- **Michael Ehrich**, 58, a Metro Gold Line operator since start-up in 2003, died suddenly at his Pasadena home, Dec. 5. A Metro veteran with 19 years' service, Ehrich joined the SCRTD in September 1986.