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(June 16, 2009) Services are scheduled for Prakash (Peter) Bhamidi, a veteran bus operator who spent all but one year of his nearly 20-year Metro career at West Valley Division 8.

Mr. Bhamidi died on Friday, June 12, following a massive heart attack a week earlier, said West Valley Transportation Manager Maria Reynolds.

"He was a wonderful employee," said Reynolds, "courteous, efficient, all the qualities of a true professional."



Prakash (Peter) Bhamidi

Known in the division as a family man, Mr. Bhamidi would bring his family to all of the Metro events, including the annual Division 8 Christmas party.

"Everybody loved him," said Reynolds. "He will be greatly missed."

Mr. Bhamidi, 53, joined Metro as a Bus Operator in August 1989. His first assignment was at Central City Division 1 before he joined West Valley Division 8 in September 1990, said Employee Records and Verification Specialist Dale Petres.

His last assignment was operating Line 154, which runs from Tujunga to Burbank.

Born in West Bengal, India, on Nov. 27, 1955, Mr. Bhamidi resided in the community of Winnetka. He is survived by his wife, Alpana, and two daughters, Anupama, 23, and Pratima, 18.

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