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## Motorcyclist killed on Amethyst Road ID'd as Shan Dee Quick, 51, of Victorville

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

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The motorcyclist was pronounced deceased on scene. (Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A man struck and killed while pushing his motorcycle was identified by the San Bernardino County Coroners Office as Shan Dee Quick, 51, a resident of Victorville. It happened at about 10:21 pm, on Friday, October 5, 2018, in the 13000 block of Amethyst Road, near Dry Creek Road.

According to sheriff's news release, the rider, Shan Dee Quick, was pushing his disabled 1985 Honda VF1100C Magna v65 motorcycle in the number one lane of Amethyst Road when he was struck by a northbound 2003 Toyota Avalon.

Quick suffered fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene by firefighters with **San Bernardino County Fire**. The driver of the Toyota remained at the scene of the crash and cooperated with investigators.

No charges have been filed and alcohol or drugs were ruled out as a possible contributing factor. The cause of the fatal crash remains under investigation by the Victorville Police Department. Anyone with information is asked to call (760)241-2911.

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## Wife of Hesperia City Council candidate takes her own life

Rene Ray De La Cruz , Daily Press

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A San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department deputy walks past a campaign sign for Hesperia city Council Candidate Dan Ramirez near the candidate's home on Monday. Deputies, investigators and coroners staff were at the home for an extended period of time. [James Quigg, Daily Press]

HESPERIA — City Council candidate Dan Ramirez made time Monday to talk about his wife Susan, 62, who took her life earlier that day after a battle with depression.

“She was a kind and loving person who always had a smile for everybody, but she was hurting inside,” Ramirez told the Daily Press. “We were married for 32 years and she kept me on the straight and narrow.”

Officials with the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department and deputies with the Hesperia Sheriff’s Station responded Monday morning to a report of a fatal shooting at the Hesperia home, authorities said.

Knowing her husband could sometimes be gruff, Susan Ramirez would tell him to “treat people with kindness,” especially when panhandlers would approach the couple, Ramirez said.

“I’d put up a wall of resistance, but that was all about our safety,” Ramirez said. “She was kind to everyone she met.”

Susan Ramirez was a member of First Assembly of God Victorville.

Ramirez said he was undecided about continuing his run for the Hesperia District 2 Council seat. “It’s still too early to say what I’m going to do about my campaign,” Ramirez said.

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## **Retired Victorville fire captain battling cancer looks for bone marrow match**

**Rene Ray De La Cruz , Daily Press**

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Retired San Bernardino County Fire Captain Art King is battling cancer and is looking for a bone marrow match. [Photo courtesy of Debbie King]

**VICTORVILLE** — The family of Art King is looking for bone marrow matches after doctors told the retired fire captain he needs a transplant to help him battle cancer.

After 34 years of firefighting, King retired last year after serving with the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department. He served mainly in the Victorville area for nearly a decade.

King was diagnosed with an aggressive form of leukemia and began treatment, according to his wife, Debbie, who splits her time between an “undisclosed hospital” and the couple’s home in the High Desert.

“Art was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia on September 14 and was admitted to the hospital three days later,” said Debbie King. She said chemo treatment started on Sept. 18 and the first round “did not work. He just finished round two and has about ten to 12 more days to see if it worked.”

During his treatment, Art King's red and white blood cell counts fluctuated while he endured a low-grade fever, pneumonia, rashes, a platelet transfusion, biopsies, pain, persistent headaches and the loss of his hair. Posting on Facebook, Art King said, "I have to give a big shout out to those that have come for a visit or kept in contact over the phone. It has helped with the spirits to laugh and joke. Thanks, Candice Weber, Arthur King, Mike Bell, Tina Bell, Dale Priber, Greg Coon, Jeff Van Dam, Dave Wetzal, David Wheaton, Al Franco, Daniel Mejia, Dan Munsey and others."

He promised friends and family that he would "overcome" cancer and "beat it into the ground."

Currently, Art King is part of The City of Hope's "Be the Match" program, which aims to find bone marrow matches for patients.

The program enables potential donors to apply three ways:

- Use a camera phone to scan a QR code.
- Visit [join.bethematch.org/swabforart](http://join.bethematch.org/swabforart)
- Text Cure85 to 61474

"Art only needs one magic donor so hopefully others can be helped too," Debbie King said. "I believe in the power of prayer."

For more information, contact Joyce Valdez at 626-373-4000 or by email at [jovaldez@coh.org](mailto:jovaldez@coh.org).

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## Sean Aaron Tanner

Staff Writer, The Daily Independent

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Sean Aaron Tanner was born July 1, 1997, in Tarzana, California. He passed away Oct. 8, 2018, at Ridgecrest Regional Hospital. He was 21.

Sean wanted to be a first responder since day one. It's one of the first things he said when he began talking. Sean didn't get into dinosaurs, cars, drawing or sports. He didn't play with Tonka trucks or animals. Literally every single toy he played with was a Rescue Hero, or some variation. Every movie was Rescue Heroes. He didn't have a favorite Disney movie; he had no interest. He was outside exploring, running, riding or playing with his Rescue Heroes.

Sean grew up in Ridgecrest. He attended Ridgecrest Charter School, Richmond Elementary School, Murray Middle School and then graduated from Burroughs High School in 2015. During high school, Sean enjoyed wrestling as well as his time in health careers working with Heritage Physical Therapy and Liberty Ambulance. He also was an Explorer with the Kern County Fire Department. Sean went on to obtain his EMT certificate at Cerro Coso Community College. While going to school, Sean worked at Albertsons as a courtesy clerk, before going to provide security/EMT services for Searles Valley Minerals. At the time of his death, Sean was working as a police officer with China Lake Police Department as well as an on-call firefighter for **San Bernardino County Fire Department**.

Sean is survived by his parents, Brett and Sarah Tanner, sisters, Brittany and Michael Garcia and Alexandra and Nikolas Savko; fiancée, Natasha Hill; nephew, Derek Garcia of Ridgecrest and baby Garcia due in April 2018 - all of Ridgecrest; grandparents, Stephen and Lynda Tanner of Lake Almanor and Steven and Denise Parker of Lake View Terrace; aunts/uncles, Laura Tanner of Susanville, Jeff Tanner of Ridgecrest, Kimberly Tanner of Ridgecrest, Susan and Richard Copelin of Ridgecrest and Ashley and Chris Jones of Altadena.

A viewing will be held Sunday, Oct. 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. with Rosary beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Holland and Lyons Mortuary. The funeral will be held Sunday, Oct. 15 at 10 a.m. at Saint Ann Catholic Church. A reception will follow. A procession will leave the church about 12:30 p.m. and proceed to Desert Memorial Park for graveside services.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Holland and Lyons Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers a memorial account has been established at Navy Federal Credit Union in Sean's name.

<http://www.ridgecrestca.com/obituaries/20181013/sean-aaron-tanner>