

Farewell, Chief Tom Healy

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On Wednesday, Aug. 11, family and friends said goodbye to Daisy Mountain Fire Chief Tom Healy after the veteran firefighter lost a year-long battle with lung cancer.



During his fight against cancer, Healy continued to lead DMFD, protecting the communities of Anthem, Desert Hills and New River against fire. "He worked until the day he died," Dave Wilson, DMFD's Public Information Officer told In&Out. Healy served as Chief of DMFD for the past 11 years. He also was a member of Phoenix Fire Department from 1970-1994.

Chief Healy was recently awarded the AZ Fire Chief Association's Lifetime Achievement Award. In a nomination letter, Healy's Glendale Fire Department counterpart stated, "Tom's passion to improve the fire service is never ending. With his participation, creativity and innovation, the future of our firefighters looks very bright."

Healy preferred to have donations made to Phoenix Children's Hospital in lieu of flowers. To make a donation, call 602-546-4483, or visit phoenixchildrens.com/ways-of-giving/

Healy's assistant chief, Terry Garrison, is now serving as Interim Acting Fire Chief for DMFD.





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