



Scott Daniel Norris

October 12, 1984 - June 30, 2013

Scott Daniel Norris (28), lost his life Sunday, June 30, 2013 along with eighteen others, while defending the town of Yarnell, Arizona from a devastating wildfire. Scott was born October 12, 1984, and has been a resident of the Prescott area all his life. He attended Liberty Traditional School and Bradshaw Mountain H.S. where he was a 2003 graduate; he then attended Yavapai College, where he received his firefighter certification. He has worked for Pro Water Irrigation, NAU Biology Dept., Payson Hotshots, and most recently Bucky O'Neil's Gun Store and Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew. Scott served as a hotshot for approximately five years.

Scott was adventurous, clear-thinking, thoughtful, witty, hard-working, courageous, and he had a talent for making people laugh and enjoy life. He had a passion for God's creation, and spent much of his time outdoors – hiking, biking, climbing, and snow-boarding. He made several backpacking excursions into various parts of the Grand Canyon, and in 2010 was trip leader for a 230 mile, 20 day private raft trip down the Colorado River, which included his parents and close friends. While off-season from wild land firefighting, he traveled to Thailand, Cambodia, and explored our own beautiful country. He made an extended trip with his good friend Ian to Central America, where they visited Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Scott was also a good writer; while traveling he sent descriptive, entertaining emails, and once in a while he even penned a poem.

Scott was preceded in death by his aunt Jo-Ann O'Leary Demarino. He is survived by proud parents, Jim and Karen O'Leary Norris of Prescott Valley; sister, Joanna Norris; grandmother, Helen Hale; brother-in-law to be, Miles Ritter; brand new nephew, Elijah James Ritter, and girlfriend, Heather Kennedy. He also leaves behind an adoring multitude of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A memorial service will be held for Scott on Saturday, July 13, 2013, 10:00 a.m. at The Potter's House Christian Church on Hwy 89 in Prescott. Scott and his fellow firefighters from Granite Mountain Hotshots will be buried at the Pioneers' Cemetery in Prescott, where they will always be remembered. The burial service will be private. Hampton Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements. Please visit www.hamptonfuneralhome.com to sign Scott's guest book.

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“ Thoughts and Prayer go out to the Norris Family

Chaplain - July 17, 2013 at 11:54 AM



“ Everglades Fire and Aviation wish to express our condolences for your loss.

Steven Newland - July 17, 2013 at 08:34 AM