

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Ashley, and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the meeting of Tuesday, May 3, 2016, be adjourned in memory of Alex H. Ranftle, a 92-year-old resident who passed away on April 4, 2016.

Born on October 23, 1923 in Geneva, New York, Alex graduated from De Sales High School in 1941 and enlisted in the U.S. Army on New Year's Eve. A prominent graduate in bombardier training, he was sent to Kimbolton, England as part of the 379th Bomb Group flying the B-17 crew.

After flying his first mission on D-Day and in recognition of his valor, Alex was awarded the "Air Medal" and the "Distinguished Flying Cross." He was the last surviving member of his B-17 Crew.

In 1999, Alex relocated to Palm Desert, California and worked as a docent at the Palm Springs Air Museum. Active in the community, he was an "avid golfer" and "master point bridge player."

Alex was a loving husband to his wife who preceded him in death and a devoted father, grandfather, brother, companion, and friend. His memory and passionate spirit will live forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

The Board of Supervisors commemorates his service to the County of Riverside.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family of Alex H. Ranftle.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on  
May 3, 2016 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors

Dated: May 3, 2016

Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in  
and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

By:  Deputy

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CLERK OF THE BOARD

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On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Ashley, and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the meeting of Tuesday, May 3, 2016, be adjourned in memory of Norm Niver, a resident of Salton City, California and U.S. Veteran who proudly served in the Air Force during the Korean War.

Raised in Palm Springs, California, Norm was originally interested in becoming a park ranger at the Salton Sea. However, with the advent of stereo technology, he started installing speaker technology for home audio systems. He owned Bassline Electronics from 1957 to 2003 and worked in television repair for 48 years and air conditioning repair for 18 years. He was also a successful touring musician and bass player for 62 years, having started his career with the 724th Air Force Band in Sacramento. He even played at the Salton Bay Yacht Club in Salton City.

After retiring, Norm moved fulltime to Salton City, where he purchased a beachfront home and became an instrumental force in the community. He was a longtime advocate for saving the Salton Sea and served as President of the West Shores Chamber of Commerce and the Salton Sea Task Force, as well as a Commissioner for 22 years of the Imperial County Planning Commission. Norm was also Editor of the "Pelican Post" and a feature writer for the "Salton Seafarer." For his dedication, he was honored with a street named after him in Imperial County, Norm Niver Road, Salton City.

Norm's memory and passionate spirit will live forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

The Board of Supervisors commemorates his service to the County of Riverside.

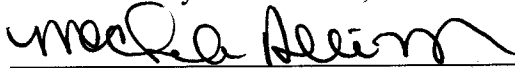
IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family of Norm Niver.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on  
May 3, 2016 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors

Dated: May 3, 2016

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