Vic Grady II - Ride in Peace July 27, 1954 ~ February 9, 2018

The ABATE-AZ Facebook page posted ... "After a long hard fight our brother Vic Grady II crossed the river last night and now rides with all those that have gone before us. Vic was a warrior and an artist. Vic held many positions with ABATE over the years. As you walked through the valley of the shadow of death you feared no man because you were the baddest mother fucker in the whole damn valley. Ride free Marine. May the Great Spirit's blessing always be with you and your family. J.R."

We learned that Vic was taken by leukemia.

Mike Infanzon, the ABATE Lobbyist who was trained by Vic, shared this in his blog on February 11, entitled Vic Grady - *Ride in Peace*

"I have been the State Designated Lobbyist for ABATE of Arizona a little over a year now. It took me some time to make the decision to take over in this position. Every time I get a kudos or

a pat on the back for doing a good job as the lobbyist, I must give a tip of my hat to someone.

Vic Grady is that someone.



Over the past year I have received a lot of help and great advice from so many, but from day one, Vic was there to answer questions, being there to bounce ideas off of, always giving me encouragement, and showing me the ropes. His help made the learning curve of the Capitol much smaller.

Motorcycle Day at the Dome is not going to be the same without him there either. Many of you may not know, but Vic took care of a lot of the logistics behind MDATD for years. Last year was such a success and I leaned on his support tremendously. He was the ABATE State Sgt at Arms, handle most of the security up at Too Broke For Sturgis, rarely missed a chapter meeting, and would be at events.

He was a grumpy old Marine who loved a few things in his life. He would bitch and complain. But you must remember, a Marine is only happy when complaining.

Vic passed away last night after a tough battle. But he took it like a Marine. When I would go and see him, he didn't want to talk about his being sick. He wanted to talk about ABATE stuff or guitars. I'm gonna miss you my brother.

I appreciate all you have done to help me. Keep riding free.

Semper Fi, until Valhalla."

There are so many words and tributes having been posted in respect to this man. He touched & affected many lives ... active in the motorcycling community, the medieval realm, and the legislative arena. We add our condolences to the many being extended to his loved ones.

With Respect, Bruce & Betsy