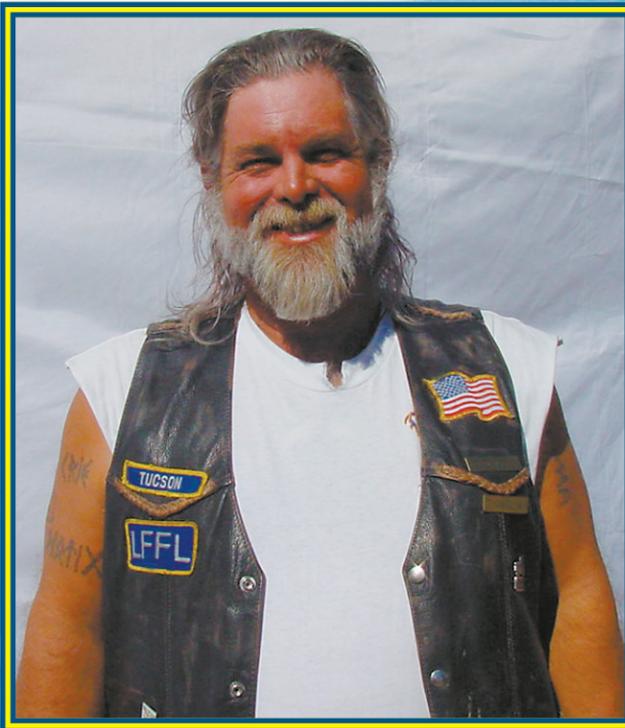


AriZona Rider Reporter is Killed by Stop Sign Runner

On the afternoon of May 3rd, Brian R Klein, 44, of Tucson, while driving his girlfriend's SUV on a suspended license, ran a stop sign at the corner of North Granada Avenue and West Davis Street, hitting Yankee and subsequently causing his death two hours later.



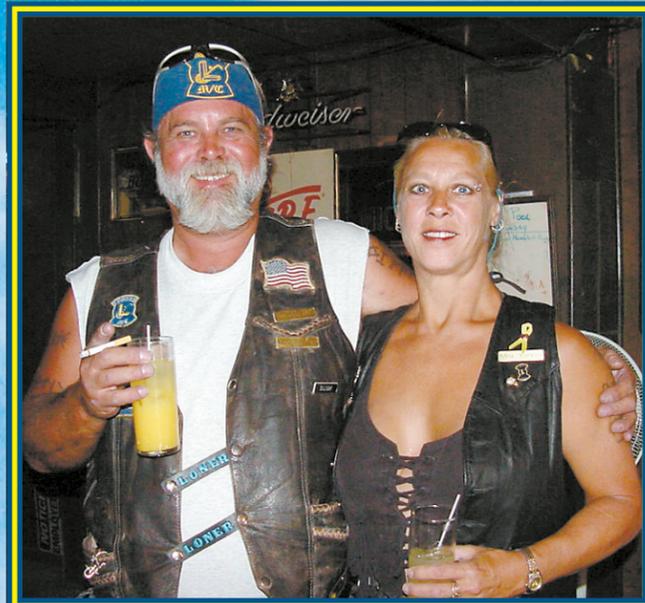
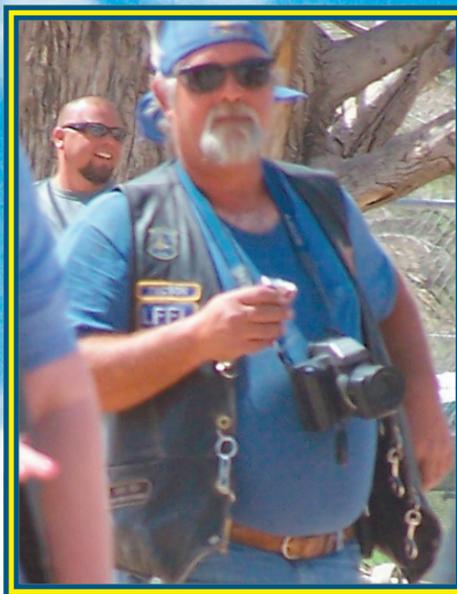
Randolph Gene Doughty 'Yankee'

Born ~ June 4, 1950
Bangor, Maine

Passed Away ~ May 3, 2006
Tucson, Arizona

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Don't ride in front of me  
I may not follow.  
Don't ride behind me ~ I may not lead.  
But ride beside me  
as my brother, forever.



A bonus of this job is the opportunity to meet and work with some really great people. Yankee has been a regular contributor to these pages since first starting with us back in April '02, and he has gathered many fans. He was a pleasure to work with, and we are very happy to know him. He'll always be remembered in our hearts.

Yankee had the ability to really tell a story. He had his own style and was easy to read. Kathy & I share an amusement about his unique approach to punctuation... but I figured out how to edit him in short time. In looking back over those four years we realize how much of our community's history he captured... Not necessarily earth-shattering, breaking news... but the moments that reflect the strength of a community ~ the camaraderie, the fellowship, the brotherhood. He truly enjoyed reporting and photography, and he was really good at it. We're so very glad that he chose to work with us and become part of our team.

He always had a cheerful tone to his voice, even if things weren't going exactly 'great'... with work, the truck acting up, school... his manner was positive. He had a hearty laugh that I hope I never forget the sound of.

On Saturday May 13 there was a Funeral Service for Yankee in Tucson, AZ. It was a bitter-sweet day. While it is a time of mourning, it was also a celebration of a beautiful life cut short. We saw people there whom we have not seen in a long time. We met people who we feel we've known for years, from the pictures that Yankee has taken. People attending the funeral overflowed the Chapel and

out into the parking lot. Strangers became friends based upon the common thread of Yankee being part of their lives.

There were wonderful stories, great memories, and heartfelt tributes... All shared in the desire to sum up a life lost to all and loved by many.

Clubs in attendance to show their support included Bikers For Christ, Bishops MC {NJ}, Christian Motorcyclists Ass'n, Cochise Riders, Crippled Old Biker Bastards, Disciples of Christ, Hell's Angels, HOG, Huns, IOOB, Limey Riders, Lost Dutchman, Lucifer's Crew, Nomaden Int'l, Old Pueblo Riders, Riders of Fire, Rough Riders, Scythe M/M, Sober Riders, Sons of Odin, Spartan Riders, Stoned Sober, Sun Riders, Unidos, Vietnam Vets / Legacy Vets, VIII Society, Wolf Pak, and Yaqui Warriors. There were Loners from Globe, Prescott, SoCal, Chino, & Quapaw - as far away as Arkansas.

After the Memorial Service there was a party at Shooters Restaurant. Yankee's instructions were that he wanted a party... so his Loners MC brothers obliged. The focus of the party, aside from the camaraderie and brotherhood, was an auction to help raise money to assist the family with Yankee's final expenses.

Goods for the auction were piled high on tables. There were donations by many businesses and organizations from around the state, but we do not have a complete list to

thank you all individually. We would like to thank our distributors and advertisers who we were able to contact, that expressed their support with contributions: Arizona Biker Leathers, Buddy Stubbs Arizona Harley Davidson, Evil Twin Custom Cycles, Evolution Custom Cycles, Leather Mill, Maximum Performance Cycles, MotoDad Leather & Cycle Gear, River Bottom Saloon, Skunk Motorsports, Superstition Harley Davidson, and Tombstone Hawg Corral. It took hours to go through everything, with Loners MC brother Stinger doing much of the emcee'ing. Deep thanks go out to all of you for your help & support.

Yankee's wife of 31 years, Kathy, would like to thank everyone for their kindness, support, and generosity that has been extended to her. She will be leaving June 5 to take Yankee back to Maine to be put to rest with their son. She will stay with their surviving son Jerramy, daughter-in-law, and 3 grandchildren. She wrote, "My seven years here have been an adventure that I would not have missed. I hope my next seven years of healing with my family will be as good. Thank you all. Sincerely, Mrs. Yankee ~ Kathy"

We will miss her, but understand that, that is where she needs to be. We wish Kathy all the best as she begins her journey on this new road. Our deepest condolences go out to Kathy & Randy's family.

Bruce & Betsy



## We Miss You, Yankee!