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***LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH FUNERAL DETAILS  
FOR US FOREST SERVICE FIREFIGHTER THOMAS MAROVICH JR.***

Hayward, CA----On Thursday, July 30, 2009 at 10:30 AM, the funeral service for US Forest Service Firefighter Thomas Marovich Jr. will take place at St. Clement's Church (750 Calhoun Street, Hayward).

Following the service, there will be a walking procession of over 500 family members, friends and firefighters along Mission Boulevard from the church to the burial site at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery (26320 Mission Boulevard, Hayward). During the procession one lane of Mission Boulevard will be closed to northbound traffic for the duration of the burial.

During the burial the US Forest Service helicopter that Firefighter Marovich was assigned to, Chester Air Attack Copter #510, will conduct a fly-over.

Due to anticipated high attendance for this service, it is recommended that all media RSVP to Aisha Knowles by Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM so that parking instructions and service information may be provided ahead of time.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Firefighter Marovich may be sent to the Thomas D. Marovich Jr. Memorial Fund at 32124 Trevor Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544-7761. Donations will be used to send five members of the Fremont Fire Explorers to the California Fire Explorer Fire Academy annually. Thomas Marovich Jr. attended this camp when he was an Explorer with the Fremont Fire Department and also participated in the Fire Academy as an instructor.

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