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Memorial service for Big Bear Interagency Hotshot announced

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. — The memorial service for fallen USDA Forest Service firefighter Charles Edward Morton will be held on Friday, September 25, 2020, at 11 a.m. in San Bernardino, Calif. The location will be at The Rock Church at 2345 S. Waterman Ave.

The service will include an Honor Cordon outside the church, the Posting of Colors, the Hotshot Prayer, a Bell Ceremony, presentations to the family and Charlie's "Last Call," a tradition that honors a firefighter who has fallen in the line of duty with a final radio call, recognizing the end of his watch.

Attendance to the service will be limited to invited guests due to space and social distancing guidelines. The public is encouraged to attend the service virtually, which will be live streamed on [the website of The Rock Church](#), their [YouTube channel](#) and the [Facebook page for San Bernardino National Forest](#).

Morton, a Big Bear Interagency Hotshot Squad Boss, died while engaged in fire suppression operations on the El Dorado Fire on Thursday, September 17, 2020. He began his career with the Forest Service in 2006.

Cards and condolences may be sent to the Morton family at: P.O. Box 63564, Irvine, CA 92602. For FedEx and/or UPS: 1 League # 63564, Irvine, CA 92602 in care of "Support for Charlie."

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