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Motorcycle Riders Foundation Vice President Michael "Boz" Kerr Passes Away

Early this morning we received the most sad and unfortunate news that Michael "Boz" Kerr passed away peacefully in his sleep overnight. He had just returned from a very successful Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) Beast of the East Motorcycle Rights Conference. At the time of his passing "Boz" was the current Vice President of the MRF and Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Prior to his being elected Vice President he served as an MRF Board Member in the capacity of MRF PAC Chairman. "Boz" was instrumental in setting up the stand alone MRF Awareness and Education Organization (MRFA&E) and was the driving force behind the upcoming National Motorcycle Awareness day in Washington D.C., known as "Bikers in the Beltway".

"Boz" was also a past President of the Chicago Chapter of ABATE of Illinois and recently retired as Chairman of ABATE of Illinois FEDPAC. In the past year he was awarded the MRF Presidents Cup of Distinction and ABATE of Illinois' highest honor the Rich Neb Award.

"Boz" was the finest political operative I have ever had the privilege to work with and his concern and passion for motorcycle rights and his genuineness will be greatly missed by the MRF and the entire motorcycling rights community. We have certainly lost one of the great ones in our movement. Words cannot express the amount of sadness and the profound impact that losing another one of our own will have. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his wife and family, his ABATE family, and his MRF family", said MRF President Kirk "Hardtail" Willard.

"Boz" was well known for his speeches, such as the "Greatest Generation", "Mr. Jones", and most recently "Making Thunderbirds; long, low, lean, and fast". Godspeed brother you will be missed.

Details of the services can be found on the Chicago Chapter's website at www.chicagoabate.com