

Arthur M. Kruckman BIO

Arthur M. Kruckman began his fire service career in 1963 with California Division of Forestry (CDF/CAL FIRE) with the Sonoma and Mendocino Ranger Units, rising through the ranks with service as Firefighter at Hopland Station, Fire Apparatus Engineer then Station Fire Captain at Ukiah Station, Ukiah Air Attack Base, Willits Emergency Command Center, Santa Rosa Station, Sea Ranch and as Fire Crew Supervisor at Black Mountain and Konocti Conservation Camps until his retirement on November 4, 2001.

Throughout his career, Art was known as a cool-headed, dedicated caring fireman who eventually gave his life to protect the citizens of California. He loved the outdoors, spending time camping, traveling, and working on his twenty acres in northern Idaho. Art is survived by his wife of 51 years, Jean, and their daughter and son. He died in Santa Rosa on April 18, 2016 after a three-month battle with the recurrence of his 2009 job-related appendiceal/colon cancer at the age of 72.