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LEON DU RAND

Dear Member / Friend

It is with regret that we inform you of the death of Leon Du Rand. Leon was murdered in his home in the early hours of Tuesday morning (14 February 2012) by what appears to be burglars. Leon lived in George, South Africa. A manhunt is still underway.

A funeral service is to take place at Carmel Valley Chapel (George) on Saturday the 18th of February 2012 at 10h00

Leon was attested into intake 169 and then posted to 2 Commando / 8Troop c 1973. Our most sincere sympathies go to Merle and the girls.

Kind regards Bill Wiggill 1RLIRA

“GEORGE NEWS” - on Monday morning a local businessman from George died in his home at the hands of burglars who brutally assaulted and stabbed to death. Mr. Leon du Rand (56). Wife, Merle was about 03:00 by noises in the couple's home in MEENT STREET 31, awoke after he had risen to investigate the matter. Captain Bernadine Steyn, Southern Cape police spokesman, said. Du Rand hid behind a bed in a guest room, the robbers, and two men, assaulted and stabbed to him to death. He had several open wounds on his head. The police claimed the suspects accessed through the front door which was unlocked before. Two laptops and a cell phone were missing. The suspects then fled the scene on foot. Mrs. Du Rand was unharmed. Du Rand was the establishment of a local steel company in the George industrial area. The police urgently appeal to anyone with information about the incident to the investigating officer, Sergeant John Boesak switching at 044 803 4714 or 044 803 4400.

From: Steve Ingram Keith, Pete, John, Mike, Maurice (Angel)...

I've already spoken to (phoned) Angel and Mike earlier this evening.

By all accounts our friend Leon du Rand was assaulted/murdered/killed Tuesday 2012-02-14.

A few of us had assumed (incorrectly) that it was his father, but NO, it was definitely our Leon.

I don't know any of the details... But I'll find out what happened and let you know as soon as I know. I'll contact his wife Merle or his daughters tomorrow Friday.

Extremely sad...

We were scheduled to be together again in Cape Town early March for the RLI 51st Anniversary.

I'll keep you posted

Steve

Bill

Yes. Leon was 2 Commando, 8 Troop in 1973.

A whole lot of us were the first National Servicemen (ENS Intake 129) to go to RLI.

"The padre then calls us all to pray
The bugler has Last Post to play
The cannon roars and belches flame
We will recall, with pride, their names
A minute's silence stood in place
As tears roll down the hardest face
deafening silence fills the air
With each of us in personal prayer

Sgt Andy McFarlane 2009