

# Vale

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### RORY BEARY

Dear Member / Friend

Born on 19th August 1948

Died 9th July 2011 in South Africa

It is with regret that we inform you of the Passing away of Rory Beary, ex 2 Commando.

Please see below the notice from brother Shane to Tom Thomas, chairman of the Selous Scouts Association.

The RLI RA extends our sincere condolences to Rory's family and friends.

Please let it be known to all those who knew him that my elder brother Rory Beary passed away in Kenton on Sea earlier today. Rory served in 2 CDO RLI, and the Selous Scouts, and then spent years running his own fishing business out of Kenton. Recently based out of Cork in Ireland he was visiting South Africa on one of his frequent walkabouts. He had been diagnosed with a heart problem that appeared not to be serious but suffered a heart attack and passed away suddenly whilst out walking along the coast.

Regards  
Shane

This passed on from Pete Gombart to Barbara Bresler

Dear Barbara,

It was good to finally meet you, although always sad to meet under such circumstances. I just want to thank you all for the love, care and support you have all always given Rory. The friendship he had from all his friends in the military in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia)! Was what held him together? He valued that friendship more than anything.

It was sad that my husband and three sons were all overseas, so even more special that so many people made the effort to be there for us all.

Casey spoke so well and from the heart, Rory would have been so proud of his boy! Shane, Karen, Siobhan and families were also travelling to Ireland at the time, and couldn't be with us, but we will get together as a family in the near future and celebrate his life with us. It was good to share the service with Rory's eldest children, Casey and Sheena, Casey's wife Jeannie and children, Chris, Siobhan's son and the close friends who managed to be there with all of us, and Louise who meant so much to Rory, and who was with him when he died.

It was good to hear Pete Gombart speak so highly of Rory, and to have shared his friendship through thick and thin! It was a moving ceremony, one he would have been proud of,

especially the John Denver song as the service ended. Rocky Mountain High will always be a favourite! It was so Rory.

He leaves behind a grown family, and two younger sons, who loved him to bits, and it makes us all so happy that his children knew that they were his whole world. I am grateful too that he was able to visit us in Hermanus the week before he died, and to see him so happy with Louise was wonderful.

I have Pete Gombart's e mail address, but cannot read the last few letters, so would be grateful if you could pass this on to him, and to all the RLI, and Selous Scout, and SAS groups who sent in fantastic e mails to our brother Shane and family, we so appreciate it. I do not have their e mail details, but know that all over the world, groups were getting together to remember him.

Take care, and thank you all once again, keep in touch.

Alana, Alvin Skinstad and family.