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To: All Members

Dear Member,

Death of Member: Bro Chris Short

It is with great sadness we report the death of Brother Chris Short, a firefighter at Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service.

Chris passed away on the 17th August while on a family holiday. He first joined the fire service in 2006, working for West Midlands Fire and Rescue Service at Cradley Heath, Aston and Dudley Fire Stations, before transferring to Shropshire and serving at Telford Fire Station.

Chris was a highly regarded firefighter and was known to bring joy to all those he worked with. Most importantly, he was a devoted and loving family man who leaves behind his wife Alex and three children - Violet aged 12, Poppy aged 12 and Albert aged 6.

Everyone in the FBU sends Chris's family, friends, and colleagues our condolences, solidarity and support at this very sad time.

FBU officials at local and national level are liaising to ensure all necessary steps are taken to provide support to family and colleagues.

The Union has set up a memorial fund in Chris's memory. If you wish to support the fund you can donate via the details below:

Supporters can donate online via the FBU Fundraising for firefighters and their families page here: <https://www.fbu.org.uk/fundraising-firefighters-and-their-families> or directly via the fund page here: <http://easydonate.org/FFCS>

Supporters can also donate by text:
To donate £1, text BROCS to 70201
To donate £3, text BROCS to 70331
To donate £5, text BROCS to 70970
To donate £10, text BROCS to 70191

Many thanks for your support.

Yours in solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Steve Wright', written in a cursive style.

Steve Wright
General Secretary