Memorial Fund For The Ford Family

A memorial fund has been established for the family of Emily and Russell Ford. Both were killed on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 during a tragic domestic dispute in Costa Mesa, Ca.

Emily, an N-MUSD special education instructional aide since 2007, most recently served at Paularino Elementary School in the Preschool Program. Her father, Russell Ford, started with Santa Ana Unified School District at Spurgeon Intermediate School, where he worked from September 5, 1978 thru June 30, 2010, when he retired as a Teacher on Special Assignment.

Adding to this family of dedicated educators is Theresa Ford, who serves as the Principal at Rio Hondo Elementary School in Downey Unified School District. Theresa suffered the tragic loss of her beloved husband, Russ and her adult daughter, Emily. Friends and colleagues in Downey Unified have established the Ford Family Memorial Fund at the Downey Federal Credit Union.

Newport-Mesa Unified School District is honored to share this memorial fund information with our school community. If you would like to make a donation to the Ford Family, donations can be made by check, made payable to the Ford Family Memorial Fund, account #109350-2, and sent interoffice mail or dropped off at Paularino Elementary School, 1060 Paularino Avenue, Costa Mesa, Ca 92626.

No further information has been made available regarding memorial services. The family has respectfully requested privacy during this difficult time.