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# Remembering Richard Colfer, 51

LA/Ontario C&M worker dies from cancer.

*Photo by Ann Castillo*

With sadness, LA/Ontario notes the passing of Richard "Ritchie" Colfer, whose kindness and uncommon devotion to his work as a warehouse and tool room worker made him one of the most respected and beloved members of the LA/Ontario International Airport (ONT) Construction and Maintenance crew.

A true and generous person, Colfer, 51, died July 13 from cancer.

Those who knew Richie well remember him best for his daily mail runs, which he performed with high energy, a warm smile and positive greeting. His passion for making the best of his life and treating friends and coworkers with genuine kindness made everyone feel better when he was present.

A City employee for 16 years, Colfer started as an occupational trainee in the Mayor's Office

in February 1992, then transferred to Los Angeles World Airports the following month as a clerk. Ritchie was most proud of being promoted to warehouse and tool room worker in 2006.

In addition to being an artist in his spare time, Ritchie is remembered by fellow employees as a happy person who was always willing to help and assist, no matter what the task. He was a vibrant staff member who considered LA/Ontario his home away from home. Ritchie was best known for being humble and hard working.

Colfer is survived by his wife, stepson, two brothers and one sister.

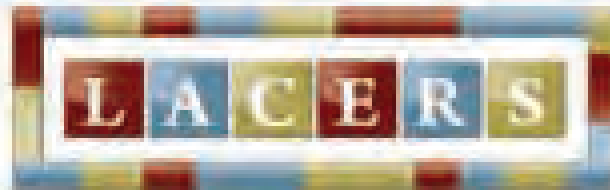


Ritchie Colfer

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