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R.I.P. Rajzi

LAPD K9 and *Alive!* cover dog Rajzi has passed away.

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Like most – but not all – LAPD dogs, Rajzi was owned by the United States government and on loan to the LAPD through a Homeland Security sponsorship. His duties included bomb detection in luggage, on board airplanes and in vehicles and facilities, as well as patrolling open areas and being on duty on non-airport calls.

As the City has no kennels, the service dogs go home with their officers and in some ways become part of their families.

Thanks, Rajzi for your service. Our travels in and out of LAX were made safer because of your duty.

Officer III Tom DeLuccia, Club Member, leads Rajzi on a demonstration bomb search in LAX Terminal 2, as captured in the November 2009 *Alive!*

