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VALE – Group Lieutenant [Retd] Norman Minton MSA

1. It is with regret that I advise of the passing, on Wednesday 20th November 2019, of Group Lieutenant [Retd] Norman Minton MSA in his 84th year.
2. Norm was born on 23rd August 1935, our records show that he was attached to Hunter Wing in Newcastle Squadron of the Australian Air League on 7th July 1987. At the time of his passing it is noted that Norm has served the League with distinction with 32 years of General Service and receiving his 30-year General Service Award in 2018. Norm received the Leagues Meritorious Medal on the 10th May 1999, and in 2019 Norm was awarded the New South Wales Group Outstanding Service Certificate for his service to the Group.
3. Norm served the league as a Group Regional North Officer, since November 2006 and the Officer Commanding of Hunter Wing for some years.
4. Norm's dedication and passion for the League and assisting our younger members was paramount and he would often jump in the car to assist other Squadrons like Tamworth, Cessnock, Coffs Harbour, Taree, Rathmines, Maitland, Belmont and Toronto. Without Norm's efforts many of our upper Hunter Squadrons and North Western Squadrons would not have flourished as they did without his watchful eye.
5. As Norm's illness became worse in July 2018, Norm remained in care until his passing.

A celebration of Norm's life will be held on Friday the 29th November 2019 at the Tavern, Elermore Vale Shopping Centre, Elermore Vale which runs off Croudace Road not far from John Hunter Hospital. Commencement time is 11.00am

Norm was a happy person, and always had a smile for everyone. He was able to assist anyone, whether it was a Cadet or Officer or anyone that just needed help - Norm was there. This is what we remember as a true gentleman, fellow Officer with passion, energy and drive to succeed.

It's been said that no-one dies until the memories fade away and in the case of this gentleman for of us, the memories are without end.

Vale, Norman Minton, a dedicated Officer and true friend of the Australian Air League.

“A Vinculo Terrae”

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Period of Mourning ~ refer Australian Air League Manual Section 10 Paragraph 32

1. All Units and Members of the Australian Air League Inc. NSW Group are to observe a PERIOD OF MOURNING of three (3) weeks to commence at 0001 hours on Friday 22nd November 2019 and concluding at midnight on Thursday 12th December 2019.
2. During the period of mourning the following conditions, contained in the Australian Air League Inc. Manual, Section 10, Paragraph 32, will apply:
 - Officers, Trainee Officers and Warrant Officers will wear a band of black ribbon, 38mm wide, on the left sleeve, located halfway between the shoulder and elbow.
 - Two lengths of black ribbon, 24mm wide and one-metre-long, will be fixed to the top of all Flag Pikes.

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New South Wales Group Council



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