

Date: Tuesday, August 8th 2006

ALL MEMBERS

Brother Steve Parry

Dear Brother/Sister,

All FBU members in Merseyside past and present owe a **great debt** to Brother Steve Parry who sadly, passed away last Friday.

Steve was the Brigade and Regional Chair and an active FBU Official for over **twenty five years**. He was held in high esteem by the wider trade union movement for his strong beliefs and his determination to fight for FBU members' rights and improved conditions of service. Steve was highly respected by the management of the time and needless to say was extremely **well liked, trusted and respected by all Merseyside FBU members**.

Every FBU member who enjoys the benefits of leave, pay, pensions, improved health and safety and FBU representation should take time to realise that it is only through the hard work, dedication and determination of officials like Steve who could not be swayed by threats or bought off with bribes that they can enjoy and defend our conditions of service.

Some people working in MF&RS will leave a legacy of cheaply giving away conditions of service for their own personal gain or deliberately trying to undermine the Fire Brigades Union. A legacy that Steve fought against for his whole life.

The Merseyside Brigade Committee and Officials believe that the legacy of Brother Steve Parry left is far more important and worthy of remembrance

Yours in Unity

M Dunne
Brigade Chair