

Heidi Yamaguchi & Fuyu (VATF1)

Heidi Yamaguchi & Fuyu (VATF1) was the first certified FEMA team on the East Coast. Heidi's history with USAR began in 1986 with the deployment to El Salvadore. She also responded to the OKC bombing, the African Embassy bombing, Turkey and Taiwan earthquakes, the 9-11 Pentagon attack and the Space Shuttle mission.

Heidi lost Fuyu in 2002 and we lost Heidi in 2003. We will always remember the high standards she set for herself, her dogs and for everyone in the USAR system. She has made our world a better place and she is sorely missed.