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## Barry Nestande to be remembered today at service in Indian Wells

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A memorial service will be held today for Barry Nestande, a former chief of staff to Riverside County Supervisor John Benoit and the brother of an assemblyman.

ADVERTISEMENT Nestande, 49, collapsed while riding an exercise bike and died about 3 p.m. March 19 at John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Indio, according to the office of Riverside County Supervisor John Benoit.

Nestande will be remembered at a ceremony starting at 10 a.m. at Southwest Community Church, 77-701 Fred Waring Drive in Indian Wells.

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Nestande, the brother of Assemblyman Brian Nestande, was at World Gym in La Quinta when he collapsed.

A veteran of Republican politics, Nestande was Benoit's chief of staff for seven years, including during Benoit's tenure in the Legislature. Before that, Nestande worked in the financial and insurance industries.

Nestande leaves behind a wife and two sons.

In lieu of flowers, Nestande's family asked that donations be made to the YWCA-Central Orange County, P.O. Box 689, Orange, Ca., 92866, with "Beverly's House" in the memo line. Beverly's House, a shelter for women leaving foster care, was founded by Nestande's mother.

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