

# Jim Neidhart Passes Away At 63

*WWE is saddened to learn that Jim "The Anvil" Neidhart has passed away. <https://t.co/Isxv3E1A3Y>*

– WWE (@WWE) [August 13, 2018](#)

Egads man. This has been a rough year few weeks for wrestling.

Neidhart was a good tag wrestler and formed a perfect combination with Bret Hart in the Hart Foundation. The infectious laugh always helped too and his promos helped carry the team. How can you not love a beard like that?

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## Jimmy Snuka Passes Away at 73

<http://wrestlingrumors.net/wwe-legend-passes-away-mere-weeks-murder-trial/>

You kind of had to know this one was coming. I don't know what you think about his legal issues of late but he was a huge star and there's no other way around it.

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# Nick Bockwinkel Passes Away At 80

<http://www.wrestlezone.com/news/642185-wwf-hall-of-famer-and-pro-wrestling-legend-nick-bockwinkel-dies-at-the-age-of-80>

I know he's not for everyone but Bockwinkel was one of the first intelligent heels and influenced a lot of people, including HHH.

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# Buddy Landel Passes Away At Age 53

Landel was an interesting case as he was a self proclaimed Ric Flair tribute wrestler, down to the same look (plus about 50lbs), style, robes and finishing move. However, he had a lot of drug issues over the years which stopped his pushes several times. He was talented enough to be a solid midcard guy though and had some solid matches and runs back in the 80s.

Early word says that it was a car accident which Landel came home from, but was later found unresponsive.

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# Tommy Rogers of the Fantastics Passes Away

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At age 54 due to unknown causes. The Fantastics were my favorite NWA tag team (aside from the Road Warriors of course) and Tommy is the first person I've ever heard of using the move that would become the Killswitch/Unprettier (Tomikaze).

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# AAA Wrestler El Hijo del Perro Aguayo Dies After In Ring Injury

I'm sure you've probably heard about this by now and I'm no expert on lucha libre by any means but this deserves a mention. From what I can tell, Aguayo was in a match with Rey Mysterio where Rey dropkicked him in the back to set up the 619. Aguayo hit the ropes throat first and something happened with his throat/neck which led to his death. Aguayo was 35 and the top heel of the promotion.

There's nothing you can say about something like this <http://onhealthy.net/product-category/anti-inflammatories/> other than it's a tragedy and a freak accident. I haven't and won't be watching the video of it but people who have seen it have called it a standard spot that Rey has done hundreds of times. That's the scary thing about wrestling or anything in life actually: you can do something time after times but freak

accidents are always possible. This is never easy to read about and it's saddening even though I've only seen a handful of his matches.

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## **Mabel/Viscera Passes Away At Age 42**

Not entirely sure on the cause but I've heard massive heart attack, which really isn't all that surprising given how he looked during his career.

Always sad to hear.

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## **Paul Bearer Passes Away**

<http://www.wwe.com/inside/paul-bearer-passes-26096670>

That's rather sad. No word on what happened yet. He was 58 years old.