

The Passing of Jimmy Thunder

Philadelphia, Pa. – February 13, 2020 – Banner Promotions has issued the following statement on the passing of it's former fighter, heavyweight Jimmy Thunder, who passed away on Wednesday due to complications of a brain tumor at age 54 in New Zealand.

"My heartfelt condolences go out to Jimmy's family. I was saddened to hear that Jimmy passed away," said Artie Pelullo, President of Banner Promotions. "He was a real good guy and true professional. It was my pleasure to be associated with Jimmy. He was a good fighter who gave the fans a lot of exciting fights when we promoted him, especially on the Tuesday Night Fights series on USA Network, where he had one of the fastest knockouts in boxing history when he knocked out Crawford Grimsley in 13 seconds. It's always sad to see someone pass away at a young age."

Included in Thunder's record that read 35-14 with 28 knockouts were wins over three former heavyweight champions, Tony Tubbs, Trevor Berbick and Tim Witherspoon.

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