

# Lawrence Hobson

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Lawrence Hobson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	May, 12, 1997
Date of death	May, 16, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Robbins Fire Department**  
3323 West 137th Street  
Robbins, Illinois 60472

Contact: Charles B. Lloyd

# Michael F. Drobitsch

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Michael F. Drobitsch was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	46
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jun, 20, 1997
Date of death	Jun, 20, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Contact: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Dale Zimmerman

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Dale Zimmerman was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	40
Rank	Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jan, 13, 1996
Date of death	Jan, 13, 1996
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Pecatonica Fire Protection District**  
1221 S. Main Street  
Pecatonica,, Illinois 61063

Contact: Acting Chief Steve Van Vleck

# Robert Duvall

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Robert Duvall was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	39
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Apr, 7, 1996
Date of death	Apr, 7, 1996
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

### Granville Fire Protection District

Box 71 High Street  
Granville, Illinois 61326

Contact: Jim Casford

# Howard E. Strube, Jr.

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Howard E. Strube, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	34
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 7, 1997
Date of death	Sep, 7, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Support
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Canton Fire Department**  
156 East Chestnut  
Canton, Illinois 61520  
Contact: Michael Jackson

# Walter Douglas Buckert

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Walter Douglas Buckert was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	22
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 2, 1997
Date of death	Oct, 2, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Burns
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Carthage Fire Department**  
122 South Adams Street  
Carthage, Illinois 62321

Contact: Scott Carle

# Michael Dean Mapes

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Michael Dean Mapes was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	35
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 2, 1997
Date of death	Oct, 2, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Burns
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Carthage Fire Department**  
122 South Adams Street  
Carthage, Illinois 62321

Contact: Scott Carle

# Brian Thomas Hauk

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Brian Thomas Hauk was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	32
Rank	Assistant Fire Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 23, 1997
Date of death	Dec, 23, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Logan-Trivoli Fire Protection District  
212 N Main Street  
Hanna City, Illinois 61536-0110

Contact: David E Tuttle



# William E. Bonnar, Sr.

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William E. Bonnar, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	61
Rank	Battalion Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Feb, 25, 1998
Date of death	Feb, 25, 1998
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Fitness Activity
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Orland Fire Protection District**  
9788 West 151st Street  
Orland Park, Illinois 60462-3110

Contact: Jack McCastland

# Patrick Joseph King

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Patrick Joseph King was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	40
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Feb, 11, 1998
Date of death	Feb, 11, 1998
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department - Truck Company 45  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Contact: fire commissioner Edward Altman

# Anthony Eddie Lockhart

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Anthony Eddie Lockhart was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	40
Rank	firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Feb, 11, 1998
Date of death	Feb, 11, 1998
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department - Engine 120  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Contact: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Kevin Woodrow Reveal

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Kevin Woodrow Reveal was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	31
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Sep, 29, 1996
Date of death	Sep, 29, 1996
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Vacant Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Herrin Fire Department**  
400 South Park  
Herrin, Illinois 62948

Contact: Chief Mike Steh

# Stanley Scott

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Stanley Scott was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	45
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 21, 1996
Date of death	Dec, 21, 1996
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Water Supply
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
121 N. LaSalle St., City Hall, Room 105  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Contact: Chief Edward Altman

# John Haviar

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John Haviar was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 9, 1995
Date of death	Nov, 9, 1995
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Manufacturing

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Reynolds Metal Company Fire Department

McCook, Illinois 60525

Contact: Dave Lane

# Donald Kaczka

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Donald Kaczka was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	57
Rank	Fire Engineer
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 24, 1995
Date of death	Mar, 24, 1995
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Manufacturing

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
City Hall  
Chicago, Illinois 60602  
Contact: Raymond Orozco

# Thomas O'Boyle

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Thomas O'Boyle was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	55
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 26, 1995
Date of death	Sep, 26, 1995
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
510 N. Peshtigo Court  
Chicago, Illinois 60611  
Contact: Charles Steward



# Thomas E. Prendergast

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Thomas E. Prendergast was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	56
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 23, 1998
Date of death	Aug, 8, 1998
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department - Engine Company 78  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contact: Commissioner Ed Altman

# Ralph J. Loyd

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Ralph J. Loyd was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	90
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jan, 27, 1999
Date of death	Jan, 28, 1999
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Support
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Greenville Fire Protection District  
Post Office Box 402  
Greenville, Illinois 62246  
Contact: Bill Johnston

# Kurt C. Borchers

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Fatality status is provisional and may change as fatality incident information is verified.

Age	37
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	
Date of death	Apr, 22, 1999
Cause of fatal injury	
Nature of fatal injury	Other
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Morris Fire Protection and Ambulance District  
121 W. Main  
Morris, Illinois 60450

Contact: Robert Coleman

# Arthur A. Tullis

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Arthur A. Tullis was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	61
Rank	Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	May, 4, 1999
Date of death	May, 4, 1999
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Incident Command
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Public Assembly

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**La Grange Park Volunteer Fire Department**  
447 North Catherine  
La Grange Park, Illinois 60525

Contact: Deputy Fire Chief Rick Ronovsky

# Wayne Robert Luecht

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Wayne Robert Luecht was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	47
Rank	Assistant Fire Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jun, 11, 1999
Date of death	Jun, 21, 1999
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Burns
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Northbrook Fire Department**  
740 Dundee Road  
Northbrook, Illinois 60062

Contact: Jay Reardon

# Eugene Williard Blackmon, Jr.

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Eugene Williard Blackmon, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	38
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	May, 19, 1998
Date of death	May, 19, 1998
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Drowning
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contact: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Jesse Stewart

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Jesse Stewart was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	72
Rank	Assistant Deputy
Classification	Career
Incident date	Feb, 3, 1985
Date of death	Dec, 1, 1997
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding

Fixed property use

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
1338 South Clinton Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60607

Contact: Edward P. Altman

# Donald R. Wilson

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Donald R. Wilson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	50
Rank	Assistant Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Mar, 6, 2000
Date of death	Mar, 6, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Herrick Fire Protection District  
P.O. Box 18  
Herrick, Illinois 62431  
Contact: Floyd White



# L. C. Merrell

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L. C. Merrell was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	43
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 29, 2000
Date of death	Apr, 29, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Riding Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contact: James Joyce

# Steven Max Wilmot

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Steven Max Wilmot was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	47
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 18, 2000
Date of death	Aug, 9, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Springfield Fire Department**  
825 E. Capital  
Springfield, Illinois 62707  
Contact: JD Knox

# Thomas G. Gotkowski

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Thomas G. Gotkowski was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	55
Rank	Captain
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 1, 2000
Date of death	Oct, 1, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department**  
17355 South 68th Court  
Tinley Park, Illinois 60477  
Contact: Kenneth Dunn

# Scott P. Gillen

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Scott P. Gillen was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 23, 2000
Date of death	Dec, 23, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contact: James T. Joyce

# Clint Anderson Talley

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Clint Anderson Talley was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	27
Rank	Lieutenant/EMT
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 17, 2001
Date of death	Feb, 17, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Ashton Fire Protection District  
704 Main Street  
Ashton, Illinois 61006

Contact: Jeff Larson

# Michael L. McKean

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Michael L. McKean was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	32
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 17, 2001
Date of death	Feb, 17, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Ashton Fire Protection District**

Main Street  
Ashton, Illinois 61006

Contact: Jeff Larson

# Willard Charles Christoffer

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Willard Charles Christoffer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Probationary Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	May, 14, 2001
Date of death	May, 14, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Western Springs Fire Department**  
4353 Wolf Road  
Western Springs, Illinois 60558  
Contact: Frank Benak

# Donald Dean Myrick

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Donald Dean Myrick was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 22, 2001
Date of death	Jul, 22, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Ludlow Fire Protection District  
P.O. Box 178  
Ludlow, Illinois 60949-0178

Contact: Pat Quinlan



# Robert A. Augustyn

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Robert A. Augustyn was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	57
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 7, 2001
Date of death	Sep, 7, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Cicero Fire Department**  
5303 West 25th Street  
Cicero, Illinois 60804

Contact: Jim Smetana

# Kenneth James Frayne

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Kenneth James Frayne was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	28
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 13, 2001
Date of death	Oct, 13, 2001
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Drowning
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Channahon Fire Protection District**  
24929 Center St.  
Channahon, Illinois 60410

Contact: David Riddle

# Joseph Michael Rotherham

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Joseph Michael Rotherham was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	46
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jan, 14, 2003
Date of death	Jan, 14, 2003
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Springfield Fire/Rescue Department**  
825 E Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, Illinois 62701

Contact: Ron Hasara

# Vannie Duane Keever

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Vannie Duane Keever was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Assistant Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Apr, 10, 2003
Date of death	Apr, 10, 2003
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Water Supply
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

In memory of Assistant Chief Vannie Duane Keever, C/o Gulfport/Gladstone FPD, PO Box 163, Gladstone, IL 61437

## Department Information

Gulfport/Gladstone FPD  
PO Box 163  
Gladstone, Illinois 61437

Contact: Dave Stewart

# Bruce F Spaulding

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Bruce F Spaulding was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Firefighter/EMT-B
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Apr, 26, 2003
Date of death	Apr, 26, 2003
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

## Memorial fund information:

Memorials have been established for an education fund for Firefighter Spaulding's children or to the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District. Both are in C/o Bourbonnais Fire Protection District, 1080 Armour RD, Bourbonnais, IL 60914-2102, (815) 935-9670

## Department Information

**Bourbonnais Fire Protection District**  
1080 Armour Rd.  
Bourbonnais, Illinois 60914-2102

Contact: Ed St. Louis

# Todd Dicks

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Todd Dicks was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 3, 2003
Date of death	Dec, 3, 2003
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Riding Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

In memory of Todd "Bubba" Dicks c/o Warsaw Volunteer Fire Department, N 5th St,  
Warsaw, IL 62379

## Department Information

Warsaw Fire Department  
N 5th St  
Warsaw, Illinois 62379

Contact: Steve Siegrist

# Robert J Ely

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Robert J Ely was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	61
Rank	Captain
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Sep, 25, 1990
Date of death	Sep, 25, 1990
Cause of fatal injury	Other
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Hollbrook Fire Department  
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Contact:

# Keith M Herington

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Keith M Herington was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	41
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jun, 20, 1990
Date of death	Jun, 26, 1990
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Drowning
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Washburn Fire Protection District  
Washburn, Illinois

Contact:



# Thomas Maxeiner

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Thomas Maxeiner was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	51
Rank	Unknown
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 23, 1990
Date of death	Dec, 23, 1990
Cause of fatal injury	Other
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Decatur Fire Department**  
Decatur, Illinois

Contact:

# Mark Steven Rice

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Mark Steven Rice was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	32
Rank	Captain
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 1, 1991
Date of death	Dec, 2, 1991
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**South Pekin Volunteer Fire Department**  
South Pekin, Illinois

Contact:

# John Harrison Spencer

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John Harrison Spencer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	54
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 14, 1991
Date of death	Apr, 14, 1991
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Quincy Fire Department  
Quincy, Illinois

Contact:

# George S Winckler

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George S Winckler was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	48
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Oct, 18, 1991
Date of death	Oct, 18, 1991
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Naperville Fire Department**  
Naperville, Illinois

Contact:

# Eldon W Harrison

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Eldon W Harrison was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	57
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Sep, 9, 1992
Date of death	Sep, 9, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Depue Fire Department**  
Depue, Illinois

Contact:

# Richard C Heller

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Richard C Heller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	51
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 4, 1992
Date of death	Apr, 4, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Pump Operations
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Elk Grove Township Fire Department  
Arlington Heights, Illinois

Contact:

# Timmie L Lewis

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Timmie L Lewis was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	29
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Oct, 24, 1992
Date of death	Oct, 24, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Alton Fire Department**  
Alton, Illinois

Contact:

# Patrick Joseph Luby

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Patrick Joseph Luby was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	43
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 29, 1992
Date of death	Jul, 29, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Oakpark Fire Department**  
Oak Park, Illinois

Contact:



# Robert Medlicott

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Robert Medlicott was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	51
Rank	Battalion Chief/District Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 29, 1992
Date of death	Jul, 29, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Berwyn Fire Department**  
Berwyn, Illinois

Contact:

# Mitchell Kim Meredith

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Mitchell Kim Meredith was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	38
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 15, 1992
Date of death	Jul, 15, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Sangamon Valley Fire Protection District  
Fisher, Illinois

Contact:

# Gary S Porter

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Gary S Porter was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	38
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Oct, 24, 1992
Date of death	Oct, 24, 1992
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Alton Fire Department**  
Alton, Illinois

Contact:

# Edwin R Conklin

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Edwin R Conklin was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	65
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jun, 29, 1993
Date of death	Jun, 29, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Earlville Fire Protection District**  
Earlville, Illinois

Contact:

# Steven J McNamee

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Steven J McNamee was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	36
Rank	Recruit/Probationary Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 23, 1993
Date of death	Nov, 24, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
Chicago, Illinois

Contact:

# Delmar M Mondy

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Delmar M Mondy was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	57
Rank	Assistant/Deputy Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 27, 1993
Date of death	Jul, 27, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Seneca Volunteer Fire Department**  
Seneca, Illinois

Contact:

# Dennis Ray Olson

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Dennis Ray Olson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	46
Rank	Assistant/Deputy Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 6, 1993
Date of death	Mar, 6, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Monmouth Department of Public Safety, Fire Division  
Monmouth, Illinois

Contact:

# Charles Michael Lehen

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Charles Michael Lehen was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	57
Rank	Assistant Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Mar, 20, 2004
Date of death	Mar, 21, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cerebrovascular Accident
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

## Memorial fund information:

Donations for a memorial can be made through the Catholic Church at: Mike Lehen Memorial Fund, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church 132 Butcher St. P.O. Box 100 Bethalto, IL 62010. All donations will be given to the Back-Stoppers Foundation to assist families of fallen firefighters and law-enforcement officials.

## Department Information

**Bethalto Volunteer Fire Department**  
213 N. Prairie St.  
Bethalto, Illinois 62010

Contact: John Nolte



# Kevin R. McIntyre

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Kevin R. McIntyre was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	45
Rank	District Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 18, 2004
Date of death	Apr, 18, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Contributions can be sent to D. William Robertson, 204 S. First Street, Rockford, IL 61104

## Department Information

### Rockford Fire Department

204 S. First Street  
Rockford, Illinois 61104

Contact: D. William Robertson

# Jeffrey C. Bergstrom

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Jeffrey C. Bergstrom was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	34
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Part-Time (Paid)
Incident date	Apr, 27, 2004
Date of death	Apr, 27, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Riding Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

C/o Stone Park Fire Department, 1745 N 35th Ave., Stone Park, IL 60165

## Department Information

**Stone Park Fire Department**  
1745 N 35th Ave.  
Stone Park, Illinois 60165

Contact: John Cummins

# Alan David Toepke

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Alan David Toepke was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	30
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Wildland Part-Time
Incident date	Apr, 23, 2004
Date of death	Apr, 24, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Returning
Fixed property use	Street/Road

## Memorial fund information:

The Toepke family has requested that contributions in Al's memory be made to either of two organizations:,,h Dakota Pheasants Forever, Attn: Dave Roberts, 623 North 13th St., Bismarck, ND 58501 ([www.dakotapf.com](http://www.dakotapf.com)),,h YMCA Camp Olson to support cabin restoration or camper scholarships as it celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2004 (4160 Little Big Boy Road NE, Longville, MN 56655).

## Department Information

### Midewin Agency Hotshot Crew

30239 S. State Route 53  
Wilmington, Illinois 60481

Contact: Superintendent Lito Contreras

# Theodore Arthur Myhre

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Theodore Arthur Myhre was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	73
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 20, 2004
Date of death	Dec, 20, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Scene Safety
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

**Bishop Hill Fire Department**

307 N Bishop Hill St.  
Bishop Hill, Illinois 61419

Contact: Jack Hawkins

# Kevin L. Slain

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Kevin L. Slain was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	47
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 14, 2004
Date of death	Sep, 14, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Dixon Rural Fire Protection District  
1020 Palmyra Street  
Dixon, Illinois 61021-1964

Contact: Kevin E. Lalley

# Patrick J. Cramer

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Patrick J. Cramer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	51
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 15, 2004
Date of death	Nov, 15, 2004
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Public Assembly

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 West 35th Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Contact: Deputy Commissioner William T. Donohue

# Roger W Armstrong

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Roger W Armstrong was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	42
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jan, 20, 2006
Date of death	Jan, 21, 2006
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

None submitted.

## Department Information

**Atlanta Fire Department**

PO Box 513

Atlanta, Illinois 61723

Contact: Rick Cheek

# Jeffrey Dean Irwin

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Jeffrey Dean Irwin was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	43
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Paid-on-Call
Incident date	Jul, 29, 2006
Date of death	Jul, 29, 2006
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Setup
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Firefighter Irwin Children's Fund, First State Bank, 946 4th Street, Eldorado, IL 62930

## Department Information

**Eldorado Fire Department**  
901 4th Street  
Eldorado, Illinois 62930

Contact: Mike McKinnies



# Dana MacCrimmon

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Dana MacCrimmon was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	45
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 10, 2006
Date of death	Aug, 11, 2006
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cerebrovascular Accident
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Memorial Fund Contact and Address: In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children, in memory of "Dana's Kid's." Send C/o City of Carbondale Fire Department, 200 S. Illinois Ave., Carbondale, IL 62902, Tele: (618) 457-3234

## Department Information

**Carbondale Fire Department**  
200 S. Illinois Ave.  
Carbondale, Illinois 62902

Contact: John Michalesko

# Harold Vernon Taylor

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Harold Vernon Taylor was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	65
Rank	Assistant Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jan, 26, 2006
Date of death	Jan, 26, 2006
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

C/o Central Warren County Fire Protection District, 405 East Walnut, PO Box 146,  
Kirkwood, IL 61447

## Department Information

Central Warren County Fire Protection District  
405 East Walnut  
Kirkwood, Illinois 61447

Contact: Corey A. Campagna

# Michael L Fox

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Michael L Fox was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 2, 2007
Date of death	Feb, 2, 2007
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

In memory of Firefighter Mike Fox, C/o Vergennes Fire Department, PO Box 168, Vergennes, IL 62994

## Department Information

Vergennes Fire Department  
PO Box 168  
Vergennes, Illinois 62994

Contact: Larry Randy Mathis

# William F Grant

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William F Grant was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	44
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 23, 2007
Date of death	Mar, 23, 2007
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Riding Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**

10 W. 35th St.

Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contact: Fire Commissioner Raymond Orosco

# Bruce Joseph Zumwalt

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Bruce Joseph Zumwalt was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	May, 6, 2007
Date of death	May, 6, 2007
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

## Memorial fund information:

In honor of Firefighter Joseph Zumwalt, donations can be made to the Sheldon District Fire Department, PO Box 125, Sheldon, IL 60966, the Sheldon Square Shooters 4H Club, or the American Heart Association.

## Department Information

**Sheldon District Fire Department**  
PO Box 125  
Sheldon, Illinois 60966

Contact: Joel Davenport

# James Glenn Miller

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James Glenn Miller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	43
Rank	Fire Fighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 27, 2007
Date of death	Jul, 27, 2007
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

## Memorial fund information:

James Miller Memorial Fund,  
201 S Park St.,  
Sesser, IL 62884 Tele:  
(618) 625-2361

## Department Information

**Sesser Fire Protection District**  
910 S. Park St.  
Sesser, Illinois 62884

Contact: Cletus McBride

# Scott Mumm

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Scott Mumm was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	34
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Paid-on-Call
Incident date	Oct, 29, 2007
Date of death	Oct, 29, 2007
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Water Supply
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

In honor of Lieutenant Scott Mumm, C/o Mendota Fire Department, 610 Main St.,  
Mendota, IL 61342-1983

## Department Information

**Mendota Fire Department**  
610 Main St.  
Mendota, Illinois 61342-1983

Contact: Dennis Rutishauser

# Matthew P. Hubly

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Matthew P. Hubly was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	43
Rank	Fire Chief
Classification	Paid-on-Call
Incident date	Feb, 1, 2008
Date of death	Feb, 7, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Kankakee Township Fire Protection District  
PO BOX 2407  
Kankakee, Illinois 60901

Contact: Matthew Hubly



# Kerry Richard Sheridan

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Kerry Richard Sheridan was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	75
Rank	Fire Chief
Classification	Part-Time (Paid)
Incident date	Feb, 12, 2008
Date of death	Feb, 12, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

Donations in honor of Fire Chief Kerry Sheridan can be made to the Troy Township Fire Protection District, 107 W Jefferson ST., Shorewood, IL 60431-9399.

## Department Information

**Troy Township Fire Protection District**  
107 W Jefferson ST.  
Shorewood, Illinois 60431-9399

Contact: Pending

# Donald Lee Grubor

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Donald Lee Grubor was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	42
Rank	Deputy Fire Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Mar, 21, 2008
Date of death	Mar, 22, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lewistown Rescue Squad (PO Box 311, Lewistown, IL 61542), or any charity of the donor's choice.

Online condolences may be made at [www.henrylange.com](http://www.henrylange.com).

## Department Information

Lewistown Fire Protection District  
PO Box 311  
Lewistown, Illinois 61542

Contact: John Spotlow

# Brian James Munz

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Brian James Munz was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	24
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 22, 2008
Date of death	Jul, 22, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

Fairbury Fire Department  
PO Box 228  
Fairbury, Illinois 61739-0228

Contact: Leroy McPherson

# William Joseph Miller

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William Joseph Miller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	24
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 13, 2008
Date of death	Oct, 13, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Other
Nature of fatal injury	Other
Activity type	Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

William (or Billy) Miller Memorial Fund  
State Bank of Blue Mound  
PO Box 200  
Blue Mound, IL 62513

## Department Information

**Blue Mound Fire Department**  
324 N. Lewis  
Blue Mound, Illinois 62513

Contact: John A. Holmgren, Jr.

# Steve D. Kline

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Steve D. Kline was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Part-Time (Paid)
Incident date	Nov, 18, 2008
Date of death	Nov, 18, 2008
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Stone Park Fire Department**  
1745 North 35th Avenue  
Stone Park, Illinois 60165

Contact: Michael Paige

# John William Jeffers

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John William Jeffers was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Assistant Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Apr, 1, 2009
Date of death	Apr, 2, 2009
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

Memorials may be made to the Wellington-Greer Fire Department, the Wellington United Methodist Church or to the charity of the donor's choice.

## Department Information

**Wellington-Greer Fire Protection District**

PO Box 143

Wellington, Illinois 60973-0143

Contact: Ross Butzow

# Terrance D. Freeman Sr.

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Terrance D. Freeman Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 22, 2009
Date of death	Nov, 22, 2009
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	N/A

## Memorial fund information:

There will be a family scholarship fund established and donations can be sent c/o Rockford Fire Department, 204 S. 1st Street, Rockford, 61102.

## Department Information

Rockford Fire Department  
204 S First ST  
Rockford, Illinois 61104-2033

Contact: Derek Bergsten

# Brian Colin Carey

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Brian Colin Carey was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	28
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 30, 2010
Date of death	Mar, 30, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

The Homewood Emergency Medical Fund, 17950 Dixie HWY, Homewood, IL 60430

## Department Information

**Homewood Fire Department**  
17950 Dixie HWY  
Homewood, Illinois 60430-1732

Contact: Bob Grabowski



# Kurt Michael Meusel

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Kurt Michael Meusel was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	25
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	May, 22, 2010
Date of death	May, 22, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

**Scales Mound Fire Protection District**

130 N Franklin ST

Scales Mound, Illinois 61075

Contact: Carl Winters

# Frank William Fouts, V

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Frank William Fouts, V was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 1, 2010
Date of death	Jul, 1, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

## Memorial fund information:

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Frank William Fouts, V Memorial Fund for his children. Other expressions of sympathy or condolences can be sent to Local 653 at 1136 Flossie Circle, Bourbonnais, IL 60914-4564 or emailed to [jtjkb@comcast.net](mailto:jtjkb@comcast.net).

## Department Information

City of Kankakee Fire Department  
385 E OAK ST  
Kankakee, Illinois 60901-3924

Contact: Ron Young

# Christopher D. Wheatley

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Christopher D. Wheatley was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	31
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 9, 2010
Date of death	Aug, 9, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35TH ST, Floor 14  
Chicago, Illinois 60616-3717

Contact: Fire Commissioner Robert Hoff

# Mark Phillip Johnson

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Mark Phillip Johnson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	55
Rank	Deputy Fire Chief
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 20, 2010
Date of death	Sep, 20, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

In honor of Deputy Fire Chief Mark Johnson, c/o Hinsdale Fire Department, 121 Symonds Drive, Hinsdale, IL 60521.

## Department Information

**Hinsdale Fire Department**  
121 Symonds Drive  
Hinsdale, Illinois 60521

Contact: Mike Kelly

# Thomas Dale Innes

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Thomas Dale Innes was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	61
Rank	Assistant Fire Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 2, 2010
Date of death	Oct, 3, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Hindsboro Community Fire Protection District  
PO Box 37  
Hindsboro, Illinois 61930

Contact: Steve Beaty

# Gary Lowell Cummins

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Gary Lowell Cummins was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	62
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Oct, 31, 2010
Date of death	Oct, 31, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Water Supply
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Brocton Fire Protection District**  
113 East 3rd St.  
Brocton, Illinois 61917

Contact: Virgil Haynes

# Edward J. Stringer, Sr.

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Edward J. Stringer, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	47
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 22, 2010
Date of death	Dec, 22, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Collapse
Nature of fatal injury	Crushed
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14  
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Contact: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff

# Corey D. Ankum

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Corey D. Ankum was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	34
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 22, 2010
Date of death	Dec, 22, 2010
Cause of fatal injury	Collapse
Nature of fatal injury	Crushed
Activity type	Unknown
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

## Memorial fund information:

A memorial fund has been set up for the Ankum Family at Chase Bank. You can call any Chase Bank and tell them you would like to make a donation to this fund. Tell them it is a business fund under FF Corey Ankum Memorial Fund.

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14  
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Contact: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff



# Patrick Bernard Hannon

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Patrick Bernard Hannon was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	51
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jan, 15, 2011
Date of death	Jan, 15, 2011
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14  
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Contact: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff

# Daniel Charles Dare

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Daniel Charles Dare was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	52
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 1, 2011
Date of death	Feb, 2, 2011
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Returning
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

In honor of Firefighter Daniel C. Dare, donations can be made to the Dare Children Education Fund, 3425 East County Highway 20, Avon, IL 61415

## Department Information

Avon Fire Protection District  
PO Box 499, 102 E Clinton ST  
Avon, Illinois 61415-0499

Contact: Steve Bernhart

# Corey Ray Shaw

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Corey Ray Shaw was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	22
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Paid-on-Call
Incident date	Jun, 17, 2011
Date of death	Jun, 17, 2011
Cause of fatal injury	Collapse
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

Memorials for an education fund for Firefighter Shaw's daughter, Camryn Ray Shaw, will be accepted by the funeral home ([www.searbyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.searbyfuneralhomes.com)).

## Department Information

**Du Quoin Fire Department**  
30 S Division ST  
Du Quoin, Illinois 62832

Contact: Bob Shaw

# John Charles Winkelman

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John Charles Winkelman was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Fire Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 12, 2012
Date of death	Apr, 12, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty

Fixed property use

Memorial fund information:

Memorials may be made to the family to establish a memorial at a late time. Memorial can be sent c/o Huntley Fire Protection District, 11808 Coral St., PO Box 517, Huntley, IL 60142

## Department Information

Huntley Fire Protection District  
11808 Coral St., PO Box 517  
Huntley, Illinois 60142

Contact: James Saletta

# Herbert T. Johnson

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Herbert T. Johnson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	54
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 2, 2012
Date of death	Nov, 2, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2  
Chicago, Illinois 60653

Contact: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Walter Patmon, Jr.

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Walter Patmon, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	61
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 11, 2012
Date of death	Nov, 11, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Returning
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2  
Chicago, Illinois 60653

Contact: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Timothy Paul Jansen

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Timothy Paul Jansen was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	45
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 2, 2012
Date of death	Dec, 2, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Support
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

Memorials can be made for Firefighter Jansen's children's education fund and will be received at the St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Bartelso, or through the Moss Funeral Home in Germantown.

## Department Information

**Santa Fe Fire Protection District**  
408 Caryle RD  
Bartelso, Illinois 62218

Contact: Adam Maue

# Christopher Reed Brown

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Christopher Reed Brown was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	39
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Mar, 5, 2013
Date of death	Mar, 5, 2013
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Scene Safety
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

Max and Mason Brown Education Fund, c/o Hudson Community Fire Protection District ,  
502 N Broadway ST, Hudson, IL 61748-9451

## Department Information

Hudson Community Fire Protection District  
502 N Broadway ST  
Hudson, Illinois 61748-9451

Contact: Dan Hite



# Lawrence A. Stone

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Lawrence A. Stone was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Apr, 13, 2013
Date of death	Apr, 13, 2013
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**West Union Community Fire Protection District**

PO Box 56, 119 W Union ST

West Union, Illinois 62477

Contact: Bill Crumrin

# Kenneth J. Lehr

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Kenneth J. Lehr was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	59
Rank	Fire Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 5, 2015
Date of death	Feb, 5, 2015
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Incident Command
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Medora Community Fire Protection District**  
221 E. Washington Street, Medora, IL 62063  
Medora, Illinois 62063

Contact: Battalion Chief Tony Bellitto

# Fidel G Serrano, Jr.

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Fidel G Serrano, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	40
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 24, 2012
Date of death	Aug, 26, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cerebrovascular Accident
Activity type	Not On Scene
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After

Fixed property use

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
Chicago, Illinois

Contact: Commissioner Luis Santiago

# Mark Anthony Zielinski, Sr.

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Mark Anthony Zielinski, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 4, 2015
Date of death	Dec, 4, 2015
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Matteson Fire Department**  
3445 211 ST  
Matteson, Illinois 60443-2521

Contact: Chris Schwalbe

# Daniel V Capuano

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Daniel V Capuano was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	43
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 14, 2015
Date of death	Dec, 14, 2015
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2  
Chicago, Illinois 60653

Contact: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Kenneth K. Harris

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Kenneth K. Harris was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	56
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jan, 11, 2016
Date of death	Jan, 11, 2016
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Not On Scene
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	After
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Oak Park Fire Department**  
100 North Euclid  
Oak Park, Illinois 60301  
Contact: Thomas Ebsen

# Eric Thomas Kohlbauer

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Eric Thomas Kohlbauer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	52
Rank	Captain
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jul, 12, 2016
Date of death	Jul, 12, 2016
Cause of fatal injury	Other
Nature of fatal injury	Other
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Freeport Rural Fire Protection District  
4500 Pearl City Road  
Freeport, Illinois 61032  
Contact: Mike Wichman

# John Michael Cummins

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John Michael Cummins was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	46
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 7, 2017
Date of death	Feb, 8, 2017
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Returning
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Homer Fire Protection District  
202 N Main ST  
Homer, Illinois 61849

Contact: Don Happ, Jr.



# Lawrence Matthews

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Lawrence Matthews was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	35
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jun, 10, 2017
Date of death	Jun, 10, 2017
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Water Supply
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Dolton Village Fire Department**  
14022 Park AVE  
Dolton, Illinois 60419-1029

Contact: Pete McCain

# Juan Jose Bucio

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Juan Jose Bucio was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	46
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	May, 28, 2018
Date of death	May, 28, 2018
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue floor 2  
Chicago, Illinois 60653

Contact: Fire Commissioner Richard C. Ford

# Jacob L. Ringering

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Jacob L. Ringering was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	37
Rank	Captain
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 5, 2019
Date of death	Mar, 5, 2019
Cause of fatal injury	Collapse
Nature of fatal injury	Crushed
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Godfrey Fire Protection District**

6011 Godfrey Road  
Godfrey, Illinois 62035

Contact: Erik Kambarian

# Kody Michael Vanfossan

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Kody Michael Vanfossan was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	24
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Paid-on-Call
Incident date	May, 5, 2019
Date of death	May, 5, 2019
Cause of fatal injury	Collapse
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Vacant Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Christopher Fire Department**  
211 N Thomas Street  
Christopher, Illinois 62822

Contact: Ron Learned

# Mario Ernesto Araujo

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Mario Ernesto Araujo was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 1, 2020
Date of death	Apr, 7, 2020
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Covid-19
Activity type	EMS/Patient Care
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60635

Contact: Fire Commissioner Richard C. Ford, II

# Robert David Reisinger

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Robert David Reisinger was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	57
Rank	Firefighter/ Paramedic
Classification	Part-Time (Paid)
Incident date	Mar, 24, 2020
Date of death	Apr, 29, 2020
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Covid-19
Activity type	EMS/Patient Care
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**River Grove Fire Department**  
2601 Thatcher Avenue  
River Grove, Illinois 60171

Contact: Sean Flynn

# Edward Louis Singleton

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Edward Louis Singleton was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	55
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 5, 2020
Date of death	Apr, 14, 2020
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Covid-19
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 South Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60635

Contact: Fire Commissioner Richard C. Ford, II

# Dylan Thomas Cunningham

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Dylan Thomas Cunningham was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	29
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 30, 2020
Date of death	Sep, 30, 2020
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**South Holland Fire Department**  
16230 Wausau Avenue  
South Holland, Illinois 60473

Contact: Brian Kolosh



# Leo W. Werner

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Leo W. Werner was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	67
Rank	Captain
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 9, 2020
Date of death	Dec, 10, 2020
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	EMS/Patient Care
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Scales Mound Fire Protection District**  
130 N Franklin ST  
Scales Mound, Illinois 61075

Contact: Carl Winter

# Mehdi Mourad

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Mehdi Mourad was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	21
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Jun, 27, 2021
Date of death	Jun, 27, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Wabash Fire Protection District**

3287 Lake Road

Mattoon, Illinois 61938

Contact: Jerry Schultz

# Michael Richard Pickering

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Michael Richard Pickering was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	45
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 21, 2021
Date of death	Oct, 8, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Covid-19
Activity type	EMS/Patient Care
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Chicago Fire Department**  
3510 S Michigan AVE  
Chicago, Illinois 60635

Contact: Fire Commissioner Annette Nance-Holt

# Scott Williams

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Scott Williams was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	46
Rank	Firefighter/Paramedic
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 20, 2021
Date of death	Nov, 21, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Other
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Argonne National Laboratory Fire Department**  
9700 S. Cass AVE  
Lemont, Illinois 60439  
Contact: Jeffrey Pindelski

# Garrett Edward Ramos

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Garrett Edward Ramos was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	38
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 3, 2021
Date of death	Dec, 4, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Sterling Fire Department**  
110 W 5th ST  
Sterling, Illinois 61081

Contact: Michael Dettman

# Mashawn Jermaine Plummer

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Mashawn Jermaine Plummer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	30
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 16, 2021
Date of death	Dec, 21, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Lost
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Chicago Fire Department  
3510 S Michigan AVE  
Chicago, Illinois 60635

Contact: Fire Commissioner Annette Nance-Holt

# Larry Peasley

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Larry Peasley was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	76
Rank	Chief
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Dec, 7, 2022
Date of death	Jan, 4, 2023
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Responding
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Maroa Countryside Fire Protection District  
300 Washington  
Maroa, Illinois 61756

Contact: Acting Chief Jamie Zombro

# Jermaine A. Pelt

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Jermaine A. Pelt was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	49
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 4, 2023
Date of death	Apr, 4, 2023
Cause of fatal injury	Out of Air
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

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Chicago, Illinois 60653

Contact: Commissioner Annette Nance Holt



# Jan Michael Tchoryk

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Jan Michael Tchoryk was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	55
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 5, 2023
Date of death	Apr, 5, 2023
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

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Contact: Commissioner Annette Nance Holt

# Kevin Peter Ward

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Kevin Peter Ward was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	58
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 11, 2023
Date of death	Aug, 28, 2023
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Asphyxiation
Activity type	Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

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Contact: Fire Commissioner Annette Nance-Holt

# Andrew Benjamin Price

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Andrew Benjamin Price was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	39
Rank	Firefighter/EMT
Classification	Career
Incident date	Nov, 13, 2023
Date of death	Nov, 13, 2023
Cause of fatal injury	Fall
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Ventilation
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

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Contact: Fire Commissioner Annette Nance-Holt

# Christian S. Medrano

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Fatality status is provisional and may change as fatality incident information is verified.

Age	27
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 11, 2024
Date of death	Apr, 12, 2024
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Search and Rescue
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Training
Fixed property use	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Aurora Fire Department  
75 N Broadway  
Aurora, Illinois 60560

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