

# John M. Walker

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John M. Walker was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	58
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 20, 1998
Date of death	Aug, 20, 1998
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	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 South Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact:

# William M. Blakemore

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William M. Blakemore 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	48
Rank	Private
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 8, 2000
Date of death	Mar, 8, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Violence
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
2203 Lamar Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38114  
Contact: Chester Anderson

# Javier Lerma

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Javier Lerma 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	41
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Mar, 8, 2000
Date of death	Mar, 8, 2000
Cause of fatal injury	Struck By
Nature of fatal injury	Violence
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 South Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact: Chester Anderson

# William E. Bridges

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William E. Bridges 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	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 11, 1994
Date of death	Apr, 11, 1994
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 South Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact: Charles E. Smith

# Michael L. Mathis

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Michael L. Mathis 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	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 11, 1994
Date of death	Apr, 11, 1994
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 South Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact: Charles E. Smith

# Dwight E. Smith

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Dwight E. Smith 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	Recruit
Classification	Career
Incident date	Sep, 6, 1994
Date of death	Sep, 6, 1994
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 S. Front St.  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103  
Contact: Charles E. Smith

# Edward L. Freeman

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Edward L. Freeman 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, 12, 1994
Date of death	Nov, 12, 1994
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	N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Memphis Fire Department

Memphis, Tennessee

Contact:

# Trent Anthony Kirk

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Trent Anthony Kirk 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	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jun, 15, 2003
Date of death	Jun, 15, 2003
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	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

Pending

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
4341 O K Robertson Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38127

Contact: Director Chester Anderson



# Charles A. Zachary

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Charles A. Zachary 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	Private
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jun, 15, 2003
Date of death	Jun, 16, 2003
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	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
4341 O K Robertson Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38127

Contact: Director Chester Anderson

# Samuel Lee Green

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Samuel Lee Green 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	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Jul, 21, 2003
Date of death	Jul, 21, 2003
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	N/A

Memorial fund information:

Donations can be sent in the name of Samuel Green, c/o Shelby County Fire Department, 1115 Sycamore View, Memphis, TN 38134

## Department Information

**Shelby County Fire Department**  
1115 Sycamore View  
Memphis, Tennessee 37134

Contact: William Hiner

# Dale Seib

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Dale Seib 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	Unknown
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	Feb, 26, 1990
Date of death	Feb, 26, 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

Plainville Fire District  
Memphis, New York

Contact:

# Joseph A Boswell

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Joseph A Boswell was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	32
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 26, 1992
Date of death	Jan, 11, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Burns
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Memphis Fire and EMS Department  
Memphis, Tennessee

Contact:

# James David Hill

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James David Hill was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Age	45
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Career
Incident date	Dec, 26, 1992
Date of death	Jan, 4, 1993
Cause of fatal injury	Caught or Trapped
Nature of fatal injury	Burns
Activity type	
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Fire
Fixed property use	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

Memphis Fire and EMS Department  
Memphis, Tennessee

Contact:

# David Wayne O'Conner

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David Wayne O'Conner 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	Driver/Operator
Classification	Career
Incident date	Apr, 20, 2005
Date of death	Apr, 20, 2005
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cerebrovascular Accident
Activity type	Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Returning
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

Memorials should be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 332 N. Lauderdale, Memphis TN 38105

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 South Front  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact: Richard Arwood

# Wendell Anthony Jeffery

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Wendell Anthony Jeffery 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	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	Oct, 24, 2005
Date of death	Oct, 24, 2005
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

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 S. Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103  
Contact: Richard Arwood

# Charles hew Waller

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Charles hew Waller was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age	47
Rank	Firefighter/Fire Marshal
Classification	Career
Incident date	Feb, 16, 2012
Date of death	Feb, 25, 2012
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cerebrovascular Accident
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty

Fixed property use

Memorial fund information:

The family suggests memorials be to First Baptist Church Youth, Mission Trip Fund, P.O. Box 726, Memphis, TX 79245; or Memphis Fire Department, 721 W. Robertson St., Memphis, TX 79245.

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
721 W Robertson ST  
Memphis, Texas 79245

Contact: Wiley Davis



# Terrence Morgan Pryor

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Terrence Morgan Pryor 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	48
Rank	Lieutenant
Classification	Career
Incident date	May, 25, 2015
Date of death	May, 25, 2015
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	

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 S Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103  
Contact: Michael Putt

# Rodney Keith Eddins

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Rodney Keith Eddins 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	Apr, 16, 2016
Date of death	Apr, 17, 2016
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	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
65 S Front Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Contact: Memphis Fire Director Gina Sweat

# Jesse William Ketchum

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Jesse William Ketchum 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	33
Rank	Firefighter
Classification	Volunteer
Incident date	May, 29, 2017
Date of death	May, 29, 2017
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Not On Scene
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

City of Memphis Volunteer Fire Department  
104 N Washington ST POB 261  
Memphis, Missouri 63555-0261

Contact: Jimmy Winn

# Robert James Phillips, II

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Robert James Phillips, II 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	Part-Time (Paid)
Incident date	Sep, 22, 2018
Date of death	Sep, 23, 2018
Cause of fatal injury	Stress/Overexertion
Nature of fatal injury	Cardiovascular Event/Heart Attack
Activity type	Support
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	On-Scene Non-Fire
Fixed property use	Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
35095 Potter Street  
Memphis, Michigan 48041

Contact: Justen Diaz

# Terry Lee Watts

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Terry Lee Watts 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, 20, 2021
Date of death	Feb, 10, 2021
Cause of fatal injury	Exposure
Nature of fatal injury	Covid-19
Activity type	In-Station Duties
Emergency duty	No
Duty type	Other On-Duty
Fixed property use	Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Shelby County Fire Department**  
1075 Mullins Station Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38134

Contact: Alvin Benson

# David Wayne Pleasant

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David Wayne Pleasant 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	Driver
Classification	Career
Incident date	Aug, 10, 2022
Date of death	Aug, 10, 2022
Cause of fatal injury	Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft
Nature of fatal injury	Trauma
Activity type	Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus
Emergency duty	Yes
Duty type	Responding
Fixed property use	Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department Information

**Memphis Fire Department**  
2670 Avery AVE  
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Contact: Gina Sweat

# Jeffrey Todd Norman

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Jeffrey Todd Norman 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	Jul, 18, 2023
Date of death	Jul, 19, 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

Memphis Fire Department  
2670 Avery AVE  
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Contact: Gina Y. Sweat