

# William Jack Northam

William Jack Northam 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: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 16, 1997

Date of death: Jun 16, 1997

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Support

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

"Laurel Fire Department, Inc."  
P.O. Box 410  
Laurel, DE 19956  
Chief: Jeff Hill

# Prince A. Mousley, Jr.

Prince A. Mousley, 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: 58

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 6, 1998

Date of death: Jan 6, 1998

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: 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

Wilmington Fire Department  
300 North Walnut Street Public Safety Building  
Wilmington, DE 19801  
Chief: James T. Wilmore

# Arnold Blankenship, III

Arnold Blankenship, III 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: Second Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 30, 2000 09:41

Date of death: Apr 30, 2000

Cause of death: Exposure

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Greenwood Volunteer Fire Company #1, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1  
Greenwood, DE 19950  
Chief: Thomas E. Jones

# Louis Alfred Rickards

Louis Alfred Rickards 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: President

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 3, 2002 10:00

Date of death: Feb 3, 2002

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Lewes Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.  
P.O. 225  
Lewes, DE 19958  
Chief: Gorden Davis

# James Goode, Jr.

James Goode, 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: 43

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 1990 06:39

Date of death: Jun 19, 1990

Cause of death: Other

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Wilmington Fire Department

Wilmington, DE

# Joseph Herald Evans

Joseph Herald Evans 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: Engineer

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 10, 2005 01:30

Date of death: Jul 10, 2005

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Pump Operations

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company  
315 Market Street PO Box 368  
Bridgeville, DE 19933  
Chief: John Cannon

# Philip S Young

Philip S Young was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 59

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 2, 2005 20:45

Date of death: Aug 22, 2005

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: Memorial donations may be made to the Delaware Volunteer Fireman's Association Scholarship Fund.

## Department information

Dover Fire Department  
103 South Governors Avenue  
Dover, DE 19904  
Chief: Brian F. Bashista

# Michelle Newton Smith

Michelle Newton 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: 29

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 20, 2008 21:52

Date of death: Dec 22, 2008

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: EMS/Patient Care

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Donations can be made to the Emily A. Burge Trust Fund, C/o Delaware City Fire Company No. 1, Inc., 815 Fifth Street, PO Box 251, Delaware City, DE 19706 and/or Saint Judes Children's Research Hospital, [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)

## Department information

Delaware City Fire Company No. 1, Inc.  
815 Fifth Street, PO Box 251 USNG: 18S VJ 4865 8072  
Delaware City, DE 19706  
Chief: James D. Rosseel

# Brian P. Waynant, Sr.

Brian P. Waynant, Sr. was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 45

Rank: Firefighter/Inspector

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 1, 2010 21:30

Date of death: Mar 1, 2010

Cause of death: Other

Nature of death: Other

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Wilmington Fire Department  
300 N Walnut ST USNG: 18S VJ 5303 9890  
Wilmington, DE 19801  
Chief: Willie Patrick

# Justin E. Townsend

Justin E. Townsend 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: 17

Rank: Junior Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 27, 2012 17:12

Date of death: Sep 27, 2012

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Dagsboro Volunteer Fire Department  
31818 Waples ST USNG: 18S VH 7862 6723  
Dagsboro, DE 19939  
Chief: Shane Furbush

# Tim McClanahan

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 46

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 11, 2016 18:45

Date of death: Jul 11, 2016

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Lewes Volunteer Fire Department  
347 Savannah RD POB 225 U.S. National Grid: 18S VH 8777 9153  
Lewes, DE 19958  
Chief: Gordon Davis

# Christopher M Leach

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 41

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 24, 2016 02:54

Date of death: Sep 24, 2016

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death:

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Wilmington Fire Department  
22 S Heald ST U.S. National Grid: 18S VJ 5364 9822  
Wilmington, DE 19801  
Chief: Anthony S. Goode

# Jerry W Fickes

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 51

Rank: Senior Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 24, 2016 02:54

Date of death: Sep 24, 2016

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death:

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Wilmington Fire Department  
22 S Heald ST U.S. National Grid: 18S VJ 5364 9822  
Wilmington, DE 19801  
Chief: Anthony S. Goode

