

# Lee Allen Steele

Lee Allen Steele 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: Jun 23, 1996

Date of death: Jun 23, 1996

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Poplar Springs Fire Dept.  
494 Monroe Road  
Moore, SC 29369  
Chief: Ron Nordenbrock

# Monte Jason Harmon

Monte Jason Harmon 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: 19

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 23, 1996

Date of death: Jun 23, 1996

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Poplar Springs Fire Department  
494 Monroe Road  
Moore, SC 29369  
Chief: Ronald Nordenbrock

# Ronald Lupo

Ronald Lupo 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: Jun 24, 1996

Date of death: Jun 24, 1996

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Dillon County Fire Department  
201 West Howard Street  
Dillon, SC 29536  
Chief: Arthur L. Quick

# Jackson L. Capps

Jackson L. Capps 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: 25

Rank: Captain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 24, 1996

Date of death: Oct 24, 1996

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Glassy Mountain Fire Department  
2015 Highway 11  
Landrum, SC 29356  
Chief: Ben Graydon

# Jimmy Bryant

Jimmy Bryant 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: Chief

Classification:

Incident date: Feb 25, 1995

Date of death: Feb 25, 1995

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Indian Field Volunteer Fire Department  
Route 1, Box 143  
St. George, SC 29477  
Chief:

# Thomas Buff, Jr.

Thomas Buff, 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:

Rank: chief

Classification:

Incident date: Nov 10, 1995

Date of death: Nov 10, 1995

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Blaney Fire Department  
P.O. Box 789  
Elgin, SC 29045  
Chief:

# Randy Neal Sims

Randy Neal Sims 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: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 14, 1998

Date of death: Sep 14, 1998

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Antioch Volunteer Fire Department  
2601 Pageland Highway  
Lancaster, SC 29720  
Chief:

# Aubrey R. Tillman, Jr.

Aubrey R. Tillman, 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: 57

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 2, 1999 22:00

Date of death: Apr 2, 1999

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: 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

City of Charleston Fire Department  
46 1/2 Wentworth Street  
Charleston, SC 29401  
Chief: Russell Thomas, Jr.

# Timmie Roger Dawson

Timmie Roger Dawson 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: Volunteer

Incident date: Aug 31, 1999 16:30

Date of death: Aug 31, 1999

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Center Rock Volunteer Fire Department, Station 11  
2124 Karen Lane  
Anderson, SC 29624  
Chief: Joe Bill Dickerson

# Lewis Edward Anderson

Lewis Edward Anderson 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: 68

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 27, 1999 13:00

Date of death: Sep 30, 1999

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

River Falls Volunteer Fire Department  
602 River Falls Road  
Marietta, SC 29661  
Chief: David Embry

# Ronnie M. Fuller

Ronnie M. Fuller 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: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 1, 1994

Date of death: Jan 1, 1994

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: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Clinton Fire Department

Clinton, SC  
Chief:

# Jeffrey Vaden Chavis

Jeffrey Vaden Chavis 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: Career

Incident date: Jun 16, 2001 17:00

Date of death: Jul 12, 2001

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Burns

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

Lexington County Fire Service  
212 South Lake Drive  
Lexington, SC 29072  
Chief: Russell Rawl

# Thomas Evans Andersen

Thomas Evans Andersen 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: Assistant Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 21, 2002 16:13

Date of death: Jan 21, 2002

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: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Surfside Beach Fire Department  
115 Hwy 17 North  
Surfside Beach, SC 29575  
Chief: Dan Thomas

# Thomas W. Kickler

Thomas W. Kickler 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: Volunteer

Incident date: May 6, 2002 10:15

Date of death: May 6, 2002

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Laurens County Fire Department  
PO Box 810  
Laurens, SC 29360  
Chief: Phillip Hill

# Anthony L Boyert

Anthony L Boyert 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: Career

Incident date: Apr 21, 1990

Date of death: Apr 21, 1990

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death: Crushed

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

St. Paul's District Fire Department

Hollywood, SC

# Robert E Lee

Robert E Lee 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: Mar 11, 1990

Date of death: Mar 11, 1990

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Unknown

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Cowpens Fire Department

Cowpens, SC

# Jerry Brooks

Jerry Brooks was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 42

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Aug 8, 1991

Date of death: Aug 8, 1991

Cause of death: Exposure

Nature of death: Electrocution

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

North Greenville Fire Department

Travelers Rest, SC

# Robert Dale Morris, II

Robert Dale Morris, II was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 37

Rank: Unknown

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 29, 1991

Date of death: Jun 29, 1991

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Charleston City Fire Department

Charleston, SC

# Loyd Horton, Jr.

Loyd Horton, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age:

Rank:

Classification:

Incident date:

Date of death: Jan 1, 1992

Cause of death:

Nature of death:

Activity type:

Emergency duty:

Duty type:

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Spartanburg Fire Department

Spartanburg, SC

# William N Jones, Jr.

William N Jones, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 49

Rank: Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Nov 22, 1992

Date of death: Nov 22, 1992

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Iva Fire Department

Iva, SC

# James Rhett LaFon

James Rhett LaFon 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: Battalion Chief/District Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Aug 24, 1993

Date of death: Aug 24, 1993

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Horry County Fire Department

Conway, SC

# Kenneth Eugene Sterling

Kenneth Eugene Sterling 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/EMT

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 10, 2004 13:00

Date of death: Apr 10, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In memory of Firefighter Kenneth Eugene Sterling, C/o Westview-Fairforest Fire and EMS Department, 4247 Anderson Mill Rd., Moore, SC 29369

## Department information

Westview-Fairforest Fire and EMS Department  
4247 Anderson Mill Rd.  
Moore, SC 29369  
Chief: Danny R. Knight

# Edgar Bruce Rogers

Edgar Bruce Rogers 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: Lieutenant

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 22, 2004 15:58

Date of death: Apr 22, 2004

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: Public Assembly

Memorial fund information: Memorial donations may be made in memory of Lt. Bruce E. Rogers to the Chesterfield Baptist Church, 207 East Main Street, Chesterfield, SC 29709; or to the Chesterfield Fire Department, 112 Cotton St., PO Box 350, Chesterfield, SC 29709

## Department information

Chesterfield Fire Department  
112 Cotton St. PO Box 350  
Chesterfield, SC 29709  
Chief: Michael White

# Michael Stokes Martin

Michael Stokes Martin 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: 18

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: May 14, 2004 06:08

Date of death: May 14, 2004

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: Donations may be made to the Youth Corps, High Praises Church of God, 4506 Midway Rd., Williamson, SC; or Ebenezer Volunteer Fire Department, 2401 Highway 185, Belton, SC 29627

## Department information

Ebenezer Volunteer Fire Department  
2401 Highway 185  
Belton, SC 29627  
Chief: Rodney Lowe

# Robert M Weber, Jr.

Robert M Weber, 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: 23

Rank: Corporal

Classification: Career

Incident date: Aug 16, 2004

Date of death: Aug 16, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Standby

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, South Carolina  
United States Marine Corps Headquarters - Headquarters Squadron  
Beaufort, SC 29904  
Chief: Chief Warrant Officer Thompson

# Timmy Young

Timmy Young 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: Fire Equipment Operator

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 7, 2005 17:24

Date of death: Jan 20, 2005

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Columbia Fire Department  
1800 Laurel Street  
Columbia, SC 29201  
Chief: William B. Anderson

# Shon Everett Rice

Shon Everett Rice was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 34

Rank: Firefighter-EMT

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 31, 2006 17:30

Date of death: Mar 31, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: In memory of Firefighter Shon Everett Rice, C/o Georgetown County Fire/ EMS, PO Box 421270, 3605 Highmarket St., Georgetown, SC 29440

## Department information

Georgetown County Fire/ EMS  
PO Box 421270 3605 Highmarket St.  
Georgetown, SC 29440  
Chief: Mack Reed

# Lee William Walters

Lee William Walters 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: Part-Time (Paid)

Incident date: Aug 2, 2006 06:20

Date of death: Aug 2, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Water Supply

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Sheldon Fire District  
5 Fire Station Lane PO Box 129  
Sheldon, SC 29941  
Chief: Buddy Jones

# Kenneth Patrick Fahey

Kenneth Patrick Fahey 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: Forestry Technician

Classification: Wildland Full-Time

Incident date: Jan 25, 2007 20:00

Date of death: Jan 25, 2007

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

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: Pending

## Department information

United States Forest Service - Francis Marion National Forest  
Witherbee Ranger Station 2421 Witherbee Road  
Cordesville, SC 29434  
Chief: District Ranger Orlando Sutton

# William “Billy” H Hutchinson

William “Billy” H Hutchinson 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: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: 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: Donations can be sent to The City of Charleston Firemen's Fund, P.O. Box 304, Charleston, SC, 29402. Donations can be sent to The City of Charleston Firemen's Fund, P.O. Box 304, Charleston, SC, 29402. Copy and paste this URL into your web browser for more information:  
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## Department information

Charleston Fire Department  
46 1/2 Wentworth ST.  
Charleston, SC 29401  
Chief: Russell Thomas

# Theodore Michael Benke

Theodore Michael Benke 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: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Louis Mark Mulkey

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Age: 34

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Mark Wesley Kelsey

Mark Wesley Kelsey 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: Engineer

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Bradford “Brad” Rodney Baity

Bradford “Brad” Rodney Baity 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: Engineer

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Michael Jonathon Alan French

Michael Jonathon Alan French 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: Assistant Engineer

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# James “Earl” Allen Drayton

James “Earl” Allen Drayton 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

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Brandon Kenyon Thompson

Brandon Kenyon Thompson 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: Jun 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

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Chief: Russell Thomas

# Melven Edward Champaign

Melven Edward Champaign 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 18, 2007 19:09

Date of death: Jun 18, 2007

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: 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: Donations can be sent to The City of Charleston Firemen's Fund, P.O. Box 304, Charleston, SC, 29402. Donations can be sent to The City of Charleston Firemen's Fund, P.O. Box 304, Charleston, SC, 29402. Copy and paste this URL into your web browser for more information:  
[https://www.charleston.net/news/2007/jun/19/donate\\_firefighters\\_families/](https://www.charleston.net/news/2007/jun/19/donate_firefighters_families/)

## Department information

Charleston Fire Department  
46 1/2 Wentworth ST.  
Charleston, SC 29401  
Chief: Russell Thomas

# Jeffrey Dale Swartz

Jeffrey Dale Swartz 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: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Aug 19, 2007 19:00

Date of death: Aug 19, 2007

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Donations may be made to Wagener Fire Department, 299 Park St., Wagener, SC 29164

## Department information

Wagener Fire Department  
299 Park St.  
Wagener, SC 29164  
Chief: Mark Redd

# Steve Hagan, Sr.

Steve Hagan, 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: 48

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 22, 2008 23:30

Date of death: Dec 23, 2008

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Unknown

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In honor of to Lieutenant Steve Hagan, Sr., C/o Blenheim Fire Department, PO Box 128, 104 E. High St., Blenheim, SC 29516

## Department information

Blenheim Fire Department  
PO Box 128, 104 E. High St. USNG: 17S PU 2369 1962  
Blenheim, SC 29516  
Chief: David Rogers

# Jimmy Edward Cameron

Jimmy Edward Cameron 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: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 16, 2009 18:45

Date of death: Jun 16, 2009

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: The family has asked that any memorials in honor of Firefighter Jimmy E. Cameron be made to the South Chester Fire Department, 2252 Columbia HWY, Blackstock, SC 29014-8969

## Department information

South Chester Fire Department  
2252 Columbia HWY USNG: 17S MU 8431 2474  
Blackstock, SC 29014  
Chief: M. Blair White

# Eugene William Franklin Jr.

Eugene William Franklin Jr. was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 64

Rank: Chaplain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Nov 11, 2008 14:40

Date of death: Nov 11, 2008

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## **Department information**

Sumter Fire Department

Sumter, SC

# Charles “Bob” Robert Flintom

Charles “Bob” Robert Flintom was included in the USFA’s annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 61

Rank: Engineer

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 1, 2010 10:45

Date of death: Jul 4, 2010

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

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 National Kidney Foundation, 500 Taylor Street, Suite 101, Columbia, SC 29201.

## Department information

Pelham-Batesville Fire Department  
2761 S Highway 14 USNG: 17S LU 8828 5844  
Greer, SC 29650-4926  
Chief: Phill Jolley

# Chance Hyatt Zobel

Chance Hyatt Zobel 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: 23

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 13, 2010 14:15

Date of death: Nov 13, 2010

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Columbia Fire Department  
1800 Laurel ST, USNG: 17S MT 9747 6351  
Columbia, SC 29201-2627  
Chief: Aubrey Jenkins

# Dillon C. Denton

Dillon C. Denton 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: 64

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 6, 2010 20:00

Date of death: Dec 7, 2010

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Charlotte Road/ Van Wyck Fire Department  
4455 Old Hickory RD USNG: 17S NU 1573 5530  
Lancaster, SC 29720  
Chief: Craig Roff

# Robin Erlic West

Robin Erlic West 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: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 18, 2011

Date of death: Jun 19, 2011

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Lyman United Methodist Church Building Fund, 106 Groce Rd., Lyman, SC 29365.

## Department information

Startex Fire Department  
PO Box 470, 170 Spartanburg RD USNG: 17S MU 0023 6654  
Wellford, SC 29385  
Chief: Jesse E. West III

# Dennis James Cauthen

Dennis James Cauthen 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: Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Aug 16, 2011 03:00

Date of death: Aug 16, 2011

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Elgin Fire Department  
PO Box 1809, 114 Tram RD USNG: 17S NU 2552 3709  
Lancaster, SC 29720-9594

# David Lee Crenshaw

David Lee Crenshaw 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: 63

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jan 9, 2012 06:30

Date of death: Jan 9, 2012

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Pump Operations

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Anderson County Fire Department  
210 McGee RD USNG: 17S LU 4534 2235  
Anderson, SC 29625-2104  
Chief: Bobby Pruitt

# Michael Louis Broz

Michael Louis Broz 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: Volunteer

Incident date: Mar 10, 2013 16:30

Date of death: Mar 10, 2013

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cummings Chapel, PO Box 351, Ridgeville, SC 29472; and/or, Dorchester County Fire Rescue, 109 Dutch Krakeel RD, St. George, SC 29437.

## Department information

Dorchester County Fire Rescue  
109 Dutch Krakeel RD, USNG: 17S NS 41586 71623  
St. George, SC 29477  
Chief: Tres' Atkinson

# Rodney Clifton Hardee

Rodney Clifton Hardee 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: 66

Rank: Assistant Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 6, 2013 22:24

Date of death: Jul 9, 2013

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information: A scholarship fund is being established in his memory for students that have survived life's obstacles. Memorials may be made to The Rodney C. Hardee Memorial Scholarship Fund, 925 Heritage Road Loris, SC 29569.

## Department information

Loris Fire Department  
PO Box 548, 3909 Walnut Street USNG: 17S PT 9464 7055  
Loris, SC 29569  
Chief: Jerry Hardee

# Kellen Andrew Fleming

Kellen Andrew Fleming 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: Career

Incident date: Nov 1, 2014 02:00

Date of death: Nov 1, 2014

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Westview-Fairforest Fire Department  
311 North Blackstock RD U.S. National Grid: 17S MU 0835 6651  
Spartanburg, SC 29301  
Chief: Scott Garrett

# John Morgan Burns

John Morgan Burns 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: 60

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 3, 2014 06:45

Date of death: Dec 3, 2014

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Myrtle Beach Fire Department  
PO Box 2468, 921-B Oak ST U.S. National Grid: 17S PT 9622 3051  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577-2468  
Chief: Alvin Payne

# Kenneth Michael Stanton, Sr.

Kenneth Michael Stanton, 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: 52

Rank: Sergeant

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 15, 2015 21:21

Date of death: Feb 15, 2015

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Scene Safety

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Sandy Springs Fire Department  
740 Blackman Road  
Pendleton, SC 29670  
Chief: Jimmy Ray Sutherland

# Tyron Weston

Tyron Weston 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: Jul 3, 2015 10:50

Date of death: Jul 26, 2015

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Columbia Fire Department  
1800 Laurel St. U.S. National Grid: 17S MT 9753 6351  
Columbia, SC 29201  
Chief: Aubrey D. Jenkins

# Stuart Gregory Hardy

Stuart Gregory Hardy 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/EMT

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 13, 2015 12:06

Date of death: Sep 24, 2015

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Burton Fire District  
36 Burton Hill RD U.S. National Grid: 17S NR 2663 8888  
Beaufort, SC 29906-4264  
Chief: Harry Roundtree

# Christopher Gene Ray

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

Age:

Rank: Firefighter II

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 20, 2016 15:23

Date of death: Mar 20, 2016

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Riding Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Conway Fire Rescue  
PO Drawer 1075, 1600 Ninth Avenue U.S. National Grid: 17S PT 7964 4600  
Conway, SC 29528  
Chief: Phillip L. "Le" Hendrick, Jr.

# Jeffery A Worsham

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

Age: 45

Rank: Assistant Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 2, 2016 17:41

Date of death: Dec 10, 2016

Cause of death:

Nature of death:

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Whitesville Rural Volunteer Fire Department  
115 Sunview LN U.S. National Grid: 17S NS 8766 6891  
Moncks Corner, SC 29461-8831  
Chief: Timothy R. Stephenson

