



"The Ultimate Sacrifice"

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National EMS Memorial Service Releases Names of 2012 Honorees

Colorado Springs, CO - The National EMS Memorial Service today released the names of the 20 individuals from 13 states to be honored at the 2012 National EMS Memorial Service to be held Saturday, June 23 in Colorado Springs.

The National EMS Memorial Service has, since 1992, been honoring America's EMS providers who have given their lives in the line of duty. The 20 individuals being honored this year join 581 others previously honored by the National EMS Memorial Service.

Each year, at a service held in Colorado Springs, members of the honoree's families are presented with a medallion, symbolizing eternal memory; a U.S. Flag which has flown over the Nation's Capital, symbolizing service to the country; and a white rose, symbolizing their undying love.

The 2012 National EMS Memorial Service will be conducted at the Pikes Peak Center in Colorado Springs.

In addition to the presentations made during the Service, each honoree's name is engraved on a bronze oak leaf which is added to the "Tree of Life," the National EMS Memorial.

Additional information on the National EMS Memorial Service is available from its web site at <http://nemsms.org>

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National EMS Memorial Service
2012 Honorees

Charolette 'Charlie' Adair, of Richfield Township Fire Department, Berkey, OH, who died in the line duty on October 28, 2011 of injuries sustained after being struck at the scene of a call.

Randall Joe 'Randy' Bever, of LifeNet-St. Joseph, St. Joseph, MO, who died in the line duty on August 26, 2011 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Scherese M. Bishop, of Northeast Ambulance & Fire Protection District, Beverly Hills, MO, who died in the line duty on March 11, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Charles Black, of Superior Air-Ground Ambulance, Highland, IN, who died in the line duty on August 10, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Carmen I. Burnette, of Putnam County EMS, Cookeville, TN, who died in the line duty on February 25, 2011 of complications from surgery for a line of duty injury.

Mark W. Camara, of Poultney Rescue Squad, Poultney, VT, who died in the line duty on October 7, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Daniel C. Dare, of Avon First Responders, Avon, IL, who died in the line duty on February 1, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

William G. 'Bill' Didier, of Trans North Aviation, Eagle River, WI, who died in the line duty on November 28, 2011 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Christopher Frakes, of LifeNet-St. Joseph, St. Joseph, MO, who died in the line duty on August 26, 2011 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

James R. Freudenburg, of LifeNet-St. Joseph, St. Joseph, MO, who died in the line duty on August 26, 2011 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Richard 'Dick' Hanlon, of Madison Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Madison, NJ, who died in the line duty on February 15, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Russell C. Hogue, of Spencerport Volunteer Ambulance Service, Spencerport, NY, who died in the line duty on March 11, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Michael S. Kenwood, of Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad, Princeton, NJ, who died in the line duty on August 28, 2011 of drowning during swift water rescue.

Jeffery Landgraf, of Kearny County EMS, Lakin, KS, who died in the line duty on April 18, 2011 of injuries sustained in an on-duty motor vehicle collision.

Gary Liszewski, of Broward County EMS, Fort Lauderdale, FL, who died in the line duty on January 22, 1987 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Bruce Mandel, of Maplewood Volunteer First Aid Squad, Maplewood, NJ, who died in the line duty on October 3, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Matthew Pelletiere, of River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Service, River Edge, NJ, who died in the line duty on January 16, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Merlin Sayan, of Kalkaska EMS, Kalkaska, MI, who died in the line duty on February 13, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Alan L. Unger, of Inwood Township EMS, Cooks, MI, who died in the line duty on March 6, 2011 of an on-duty cardiac event.

Robert Wood, of Montrose Minute Men, Montrose, PA, who died in the line duty on February 24, 1985 of an on-duty cardiac event.