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LINE OF DUTY DEATH REPORT

FULL BIOGRAPHIES, INCIDENT DETAILS, AND TRIBUTES FOR EACH OF THESE FALLEN HEROES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE OFFICER DOWN MEMORIAL PAGE AT WWW.ODMP.ORG.

5 LODDs

THIS MONTH

98 LODDs

YEAR-TO-DATE

3.2%
INCREASE*

**as compared to last year*

CAUSES OF DEATH YEAR-TO-DATE

 GUN  AUTO  HEART  OTHER

38

33

11

16



OFFICER DOWN MEMORIAL PAGE
REMEMBERING ALL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT'S HEROES

The monthly United States Line-of-Duty Deaths Report is a joint publication of the **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)** and the **Officer Down Memorial Page (ODMP)**. IACP and ODMP are committed to honoring fallen law enforcement officers while also raising awareness about line-of-duty deaths, including related trends and causal factors.



The IACP is the world's largest professional organization for police leaders. The IACP's Center for Officer Safety and Wellness offers a host of resources related to officer health, mental and physical wellness, tactical safety, and more. Learn more at www.theIACP.org/cosw.



ODMP is dedicated to honoring the memory of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. Through its online memorial and reflection pages, ODMP pays lasting tribute to the more than 20,000 officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Learn more at www.ODMP.org.

AUTOMOBILE CRASH

Officer Fadi Mukhlis Shukur (Detroit Police Department, Michigan) was assisting other officers with crowd control outside of a club, when a **vehicle struck him** at a high rate of speed and fled the scene. A short time after the incident occurred the driver turned themselves in and was charged with vehicular homicide and an alcohol-related felony of hit-and-run.

Deputy Benjamin Lemont Zirbel (Clay County Sheriff's Office, Florida) succumbed to injuries sustained in a **motorcycle crash** at an intersection. He was traveling southbound when a pickup truck, towing a trailer, turned in front of him. Deputy Zirbel was unable to avoid the vehicle and collided with the trailer. He was thrown from his department's motorcycle, causing fatal injuries.

VEHICULAR ASSAULT

Officer Kirk A. Griess (California Highway Patrol, California) was **struck by a vehicle while conducting a traffic stop**. Officer Griess and the driver of the stopped car were both killed. The driver of the car that struck Officer Griess and the stopped car was on a cell phone at the time of the incident and was charged with a felony of gross vehicular manslaughter and reckless driving, causing fatal injuries.

DUTY RELATED ILLNESS

Investigator Timothy Dale Cole Sr. (Comanche County District Attorney's Office, Oklahoma) was assisting members of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (OBN) in serving a warrant. As agents attempted to breach the door the suspect opened fire from inside the house, striking Investigator Cole and an OBN agent. Investigator Cole suffered a spinal cord injury that rendered him a paraplegic. In later years, his health began to decline. He recently passed away due to **complications** as a result of the incident.

Officer Kathleen O'Connor-Funigello (New Rochelle Police Department, New York) passed away as a result of **cancer** that she developed following her assignment to assist with search and rescue efforts at the World Trade Center site immediately following the 9/11 Terrorist Attacks.