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LINE OF DUTY DEATH REPORT

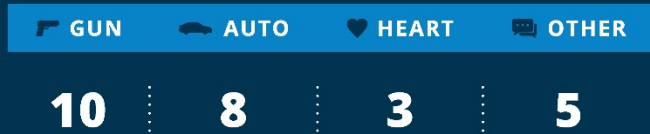
FULL BIOGRAPHIES, INCIDENT DETAILS, AND TRIBUTES FOR EACH OF THESE FALLEN HEROES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE OFFICER DOWN MEMORIAL PAGE AT WWW.ODMP.ORG.

11 LOODS
THIS MONTH

21 LOODS
YEAR-TO-DATE

12%
DECREASE*
**as compared to last year*

CAUSES OF DEATH YEAR-TO-DATE



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 <https://www.theiacp.org/topics/officer-safety-wellness>.



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.

GUNFIRE

Detective William Lee Brewer (Clermont County Sheriff's Office, Ohio) was **shot and killed** while responding to a call for an armed and potentially suicidal subject. When Detective Brewer and officers arrived, the subject barricaded himself inside an apartment, making it difficult for officers to make contact with the subject. Minutes later, the subject fired shots at the officers, fatally wounding Detective Brewer.

Trooper Lucas Dowell (Virginia State Police, Virginia) was **shot and killed** while making entry into a home to execute a search warrant as part of a narcotics investigation. Trooper Dowell and members of the Virginia State Police Tactical team were assisting members of the Piedmont Regional Drug and Gang Task Force with serving a warrant when the subject inside the home opened fire, fatally wounding Trooper Dowell.

Officer Matthew Rittner (Milwaukee Police Department, Wisconsin) was **shot and killed** while executing a narcotics and firearms search warrant. When entering the home, the subject opened fire, striking Officer Rittner in the chest. Officer Rittner was transported to a local hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries.

Detective Brian Simonsen (New York City Police Department, New York) was **shot and killed** by friendly fire in response to a robbery at a cell phone store.

Agent Alfred Zanyet-Perez (Puerto Rico Police Department, Puerto Rico) was **shot and killed** during an undercover operation. Agent Perez was in a store, when a subject in a passing vehicle opened fired, fatally wounding him.

Sergeant Steve Hinkle (Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, Tennessee) was **shot** while conducting a welfare check. When Sergeant Hinkle and deputies approached the home, the occupant opened fire, striking Sergeant Hinkle. Three days later, Sergeant Hinkle was found deceased inside his home as a result of the injuries he sustained during the incident.

AUTOMOBILE CRASH

Corporal Shane Totty (Baton Rouge Police Department, Louisiana) was killed in a **motorcycle crash** while escorting a funeral procession.

Undersheriff Monty Johnson (Pawnee County Sheriff's Office, Oklahoma) was killed in a **vehicle crash**.

VEHICULAR ASSAULT

Patrol Agent Donna Doss (United States Department of Homeland Security-Customs and Border Protection-United States Border Patrol, U.S. Government) was **struck and killed** by a vehicle while assisting a Texas Department of Public Safety trooper.

Officer Nicholas Galinger (Chattanooga Police Department, Tennessee) was **struck and killed** by a vehicle while checking a manhole cover that appeared to be overflowing with water. Officer Galinger was transported to a local hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries.

HEART ATTACK

Lieutenant Daniel Hinton (Florida Highway Patrol, Florida) suffered a **fatal heart attack** during a defensive tactics training exercise.