



# National Law Enforcement Memorial Week

May 10-16, 2020



# History

- In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week. Currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington, DC to participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

# In Memoriam Officer Lowell Clayton Tribble

Farmers Branch Police Officer Killed in the line of duty.

End of Watch: August 27, 1983

Cause of Death: Gunfire



# Texas Peace Officers Killed in the line of duty 2019

## 21 Fallen Heroes

### [Deputy Sheriff William Christopher Dickerson](#)

Panola County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Tuesday, December 31, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Detective Clifton John Martinez](#)

San Antonio Independent School District Police Department, TX  
EOW: Saturday, December 21, 2019  
Cause of Death: Vehicular assault

### [Deputy Sheriff Bryan Charles Pfluger](#)

San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Saturday, December 21, 2019  
Cause of Death: Automobile crash

### [Police Officer Jose Humberto Meza](#)

Burnet Police Department, TX  
EOW: Friday, December 20, 2019  
Cause of Death: Heart attack

### [Sergeant Kaila Marie Sullivan](#)

Nassau Bay Police Department, TX  
EOW: Tuesday, December 10, 2019  
Cause of Death: Vehicular assault

### [Supervisory Deputy US Marshal Norman D. Merkel](#)

United States Department of Justice - United States Marshals Service, US  
EOW: Wednesday, January 16, 2019  
Cause of Death: Heart attack

### [Sergeant Christopher Charles Lewis Brewster](#)

Houston Police Department, TX  
EOW: Saturday, December 7, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Deputy Sheriff Matthew Ryan Jones](#)

Falls County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Friday, October 11, 2019  
Cause of Death: Struck by vehicle

### [Deputy Sheriff Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal](#)

Harris County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Friday, September 27, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Trooper Moises Sanchez](#)

Texas Department of Public Safety - Texas Highway Patrol, TX  
EOW: Saturday, August 24, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Deputy Sheriff Jose Luis Blancarte](#)

Kinney County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Friday, August 23, 2019  
Cause of Death: Heart attack

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### [Deputy Sheriff Carlos Aaron Ramirez](#)

Kendall County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Tuesday, July 2, 2019  
Cause of Death: Struck by vehicle

### [Corporal Jose Luis "Speedy" Espericueta, Jr.](#)

Mission Police Department, TX  
EOW: Thursday, June 20, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Sergeant David Jones Fitzpatrick](#)

The Colony Police Department, TX  
EOW: Monday, June 10, 2019  
Cause of Death: Heart attack

### [Police Officer Albert Ramirez Castaneda, Jr.](#)

Grand Prairie Police Department, TX  
EOW: Friday, June 7, 2019  
Cause of Death: Struck by vehicle

### [Deputy Sheriff Peter John Herrera](#)

El Paso County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Sunday, March 24, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Police Officer Nathan Hayden Heidelberg](#)

Midland Police Department, TX  
EOW: Tuesday, March 5, 2019  
Cause of Death: Gunfire

### [Border Patrol Agent Donna Marie Doss](#)

United States Department of Homeland Security - Customs and Border Protection - United States Border Patrol, US  
EOW: Saturday, February 2, 2019  
Cause of Death: Struck by vehicle

### [Community Supervision Officer Russell Dean Salazar](#)

Kendall County Community Supervision and Corrections Department, TX  
EOW: Thursday, January 31, 2019  
Cause of Death: Automobile crash

### [Deputy Sheriff Ray Elwin Horn, III](#)

Comal County Sheriff's Office, TX  
EOW: Thursday, January 17, 2019  
Cause of Death: Heart attack

# Fallen Heroes Nationally 2019

- 146 Officers died in the line of duty
- 43 have died so far in 2020
- 21,910 officers have made the ultimate sacrifice in the United States as recorded since the year 1786.
- Most likely day of the week for an officer to be feloniously killed is Friday. Most likely cause of death is gun violence.



Moment of Silence



# Honoring Those who Continue to Serve

- Despite the dangers, the men and women of the Farmers Branch Police Department continue to serve our community with great pride. I am grateful to all of them for the phenomenal service they provide. It is my privilege to be a part of such an honorable and noble group of public servants. Thank you to each of you!
- The police departments annual awards and recognition ceremony, normally held during Police Memorial Week, was canceled due to COVID-19.

