

# In Memory of the Fallen

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Thursday, May 2, 2002, in Jacksonville, a memorial service was held in the chapel at the Police Memorial Building to honor the 58 officers who had given their lives in the line of duty in past years. After the service, those in attendance proceeded outside to the front of the police building to hear a reading of the names of the officers. An Air Unit fly over, taps and a 21 gun salute were given in their memory.

In Tallahassee, Florida, on Sunday evening, May 5th, a Candlelight Vigil was held for the families, friends and all law enforcement personnel to remember those officers who had died in the line of duty in the State of Florida. On Monday, May 6th, the Florida State Police Memorial Service was held between the old and new Capitol Buildings to honor the 13 Law Enforcement Officers who gave their lives in the line of duty in Florida for the year 2001. The Honorable "Jeb" Bush, staff members, Legislators and many Police Chiefs, Sheriffs and law enforcement agencies across the state were present to honor these officers and their loved ones.

On May 15, 2002, in Washington, D.C.; a National Police Memorial Service was held honoring the 210 Law Enforcement Officers who gave their lives in the line of duty and those who had died before them.

These programs have been held each year since President John F. Kennedy signed Police Memorial Day into law in the early 1960's. Yet, this year we seem more conscious of its presence due to the September 11, 2001 tragedies in New York and Washington, DC. Seventy-one officers lost their lives in the line of duty at the Pentagon and Twin Towers. The 210 total for the year 2001 is the highest number in the United States in 27 years.

The Police Memorial Wall in Jacksonville shows the names and pictures of the 58 fallen officers. It is located inside the front entrance of the Police Memorial Building. The State Police Memorial Monument is located in Tallahassee, Florida, between the old and new Capitol Buildings and lists 529 names. The National Police Memorial Monument is located in Judiciary Square in Washington, D.C., and lists over 15,000 names.

At times we may be tempted to take our safety for granted. However, the truth is a high price has been and is being paid by the men and women of Law Enforcement. Thus it is, we pause to remember them and the loved ones they left behind.



(above) JSO Officers stand for the pledge of allegiance.



(above) Old Glory waved high above the crowd between two ladder trucks.



(above) Connie Verville and mother escorted by JSO officer.

## "Well Served Thy Good And Faithful Peace Officer"

Marshall Yeomens .....1840  
Ignatio Andrea .....4/07/1869  
William Johnson .....1870  
Joseph Nelson .....6/26/1880  
Carlton Lowe .....2/26/1890  
Ed Minor .....4/5/1895  
W.E. Gruber .....4/28/1897  
Dennis Jenkins .....6/26/1899  
C.M. Sadler .....6/26/1899

Charles Sea .....5/24/1959  
Ernest C. Register .....4/20/1960  
William C. McCooley .....9/5/1962  
W. L. (Billy) Griffin .....7/29/1967  
Jake B. Edwards .....2/1/1968  
David H. Reese .....2/28/1970  
James H. Moom .....9/21/1971  
Edward J. Parker .....2/6/1972  
Henry H. Raley .....11/29/1900  
Hezekiah Hires .....5/13/1910  
Luther B. Henderson .....1/26/1911  
Napolian B. Hagan .....9/22/1913  
Benjamin F. Hagan .....8/10/1917  
Charles F. Turknnett .....9/26/1919  
Henry A. Everett .....1/30/1920  
W. J. Kelly .....9/3/1924

Jesse J. Barber .....5/20/1929  
L.M. Dyal .....5/23/1929  
Willie D. Smith .....1/19/1930  
J. Thomas Watts .....5/5/1933  
John P. Ellis .....9/11/1937  
Clarence E. Ballou .....10/15/1937  
Ellis V. Dyal .....6/22/1946  
Richard Scarborough .....6/22/1946  
W. Fred Higginbotham .....8/8/1947  
Robert Quincy Tucker .....12/24/1952  
Thomas Robinson Jr. ....12/16/1953  
Napoleon B. Harvey .....10/2/1956  
Glenn A. Rainey .....8/23/1974  
Michael D. Stewart .....4/27/1975  
Ronald D. Florence .....1/8/1979  
Fred L. Lucy .....1/8/1979

Charles Thompson III .....1/8/1979  
Martin E. Slater .....2/21/1981  
Thomas J. Szafanski .....5/24/1981  
Fredrick A. McCall .....2/7/1982  
Gary Bevel .....5/17/1983  
Jeffrey Ritchey .....2/23/1987  
Ray Shinholser .....12/14/1988  
Warren C. Sanders .....7/26/1990  
Fred G. Lampe .....5/1/1994  
Weldon VanLandingham ...9/10/1994  
Lonnie C. Miller Sr. ....5/6/1995  
Ira Wayne Bramlitt .....5/22/1995  
Joseph B. Burtner .....12/12/1995  
James W. Ward .....10/17/1996  
John L. Butler .....3/10/1997  
Michael H. Boynton .....10/9/1998



*David Gooding and family joins the Justice Coalition in honoring officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.*