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National EMS Memorial Service Releases Names of 2011 Honorees

Colorado Springs, CO - The National EMS Memorial Service today released the names of the 43 individuals from 18 states to be honored at the 2011 National EMS Memorial Service to be held Saturday, June 25 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 43 individuals being honored this year join 538 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 2011 National EMS Memorial Service will be conducted at the First Presbyterian Church of 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
2011 Honorees**

John R Alison of Halstead Fire & EMS, Halstead, KS, who died in the line of duty on February 2, 1978 of a duty related cardiac event.

Anthony Archuleta of Southwest Med Evac, Las Cruces, NM, who died in the line of duty on February 5, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Esteban Angel Bahena of San Diego Medical Services, San Diego, CA, who died in the line of duty on April 1, 2010 of injuries sustained when struck at the scene of a call.

James Ray Bailey of McDowell County Emergency Ambulance Authority, Welch, WV, who died in the line of duty on September 8, 2010 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

Shawn Baker of MedFlight of Ohio, Wellston, OH, who died in the line of duty on October 19, 2010 of a duty related cardiac event.

Paul Bazinet of Empire Ambulance, Glens Falls, NY, who died in the line of duty on January 3, 2010 of a duty related cardiac event.

Misty Oakley Brogdon of Hospital Wing, Memphis, TN, who died in the line of duty on March 25, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Ted Caffarel of Air Ambulance Stat, Amarillo, TX, who died in the line of duty on July 4, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Tracy Chambers of Air Ambulance Stat, Amarillo, TX, who died in the line of duty on July 4, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

William Chapin of Bangs Ambulance, Ithica, NY, who died in the line of duty on March 19, 1986 drowning during a swift water rescue attempt.

Guy del Giudice of CareFlite, Grand Prairie, TX, who died in the line of duty on June 2, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

John R Demkosky of Lackawanna Ambulance, Scranton, PA, who died in the line of duty on November 29, 2010 of an on duty seizure and cardiac arrest while on a call.

Ryan Marshall Duke of Eagle Med, Oklahoma City, OK, who died in the line of duty on July 22, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Stephen Durler of CareFlite, Grand Prairie, TX, who died in the line of duty on June 2, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Dale Eidsvig of Hennepin County Medical Center EMS, Minneapolis, MN, who died in the line of duty on October 29, 1972 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

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Sharon Falkner of Air Ambulance Stat, Amarillo, TX, who died in the line of duty on July 4, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Brenda French of LifeNet Arizona, Tucson, AZ, who died in the line of duty on July 28, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Gayla Lynn Gregory of Air Evac Lifeteam, Vilonia, AR, who died in the line of duty on August 31, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

David Gundle of Clark County EMS, Sellersburg, IN, who died in the line of duty on December 8, 2010 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

Norman H Haines of Laurens Emergency Squad, Laurens, NY, who died in the line of duty on July 19, 2007 of a duty related cardiac event.

Karen A Hand of Broome Volunteer Emergency Squad, Binghamton, NY, who died in the line of duty on October 5, 2010 of an ascending aortic aneurism while on duty.

Alan Harrison of Eagle Med, Oklahoma City, OK, who died in the line of duty on July 22, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Alexander Kelley of LifeNet Arizona, Douglas, AZ, who died in the line of duty on July 28, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

LeRoy A Kemp of Tioga Fire Department Emergency Squad, Tioga Center, NY, who died in the line of duty on January 13, 2010 of injuries sustained in a duty related motor vehicle collision.

William Bill Kirby of Henry County EMS, New Castle, IN, who died in the line of duty on July 2, 2010 of a duty related cardiac event.

Frank P Libraro of Glendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Glendale, NY, who died in the line of duty on September 2, 1975 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

Daniel McIntosh of Bensalem Emergency Medical Services, Bensalem, PA, who died in the line of duty on March 7, 2010 of a duty related cardiac event.

Ken Meyer, Jr. of Air Evac Lifeteam, Vilonia, AR, who died in the line of duty on August 31, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

William Montgomery of Southwest Med Evac, Las Cruces, NM, who died in the line of duty on February 5, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Chad Null of Sullivan Fire Department, Sullivan, IN, who died in the line of duty on December 16, 2010 of a duty related cardiac event.

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Cynthia A "Cindy" Parker of Hospital Wing, Memphis, TN, who died in the line of duty on March 25, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

William Douglas "Doug" Phillips of Hospital Wing, Memphis, TN, who died in the line of duty on March 25, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Richard Poorman of Clark County Ambulance Service, West Union, IL, who died in the line of duty on October 9, 2010 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

Laura E Pullam of Care Ambulance, Montgomery, AL, who died in the line of duty on December 15, 2010 of injuries sustained when struck at the scene of a call.

Ken Robertson of Air Evac Lifeteam, Vilonia, AR, who died in the line of duty on August 31, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Nelson Schaefer of Hennepin County Medical Center EMS, Minneapolis, MN, who died in the line of duty on January 14, 1985 of a duty related cardiac event.

Ryan M Sorek of Hennepin County Medical Center EMS, Minneapolis, MN, who died in the line of duty on March 9, 2007 of lymphocytic myocarditis after on duty exposure.

Casey Steenland of Champion EMS, Longview, TX, who died in the line of duty on October 12, 2010 of carbon monoxide poisoning while in quarters.

Sheryl M Stoolman of St. Anthony's Regional Hospital, Carroll, IA, who died in the line of duty on May 13, 2010 of injuries sustained in an ambulance involved motor vehicle collision.

Parker Summons of LifeNet Arizona, Douglas, AZ, who died in the line of duty on July 28, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

John Sutter of Southwest Med Evac, Las Cruces, NM, who died in the line of duty on February 5, 2010 of injuries sustained in a medical aviation accident.

Joseph L Sutter of Pitman Ambulance Association, Pitman, NJ, who died in the line of duty on November 1, 1976 of a duty related cardiac event.

Mark Vernick of Southwest Ambulance, Casa Grande, AZ, who died in the line of duty on January 8, 2010 of injuries sustained in a duty related motor vehicle collision.