

# Celebration of Service for R.I. Firefighters

Rhode Island Professional Firefighters Pipes & Drums Perform

Call to Order: RI Fire Academy Director Mark Pare, Master of Ceremonies

Posting of the Colors and Presentation of the Memorial Wreath

The National Anthem Performed by Jeffrey Davenport, Providence FD

Pledge of Allegiance led by Firefighter Richard Hart, West Warwick FF Local 1104 Vice President

Invocation: Bishop Richard Henning, Diocese of Providence

Remarks: U.S. Senators Jack Reed & Sheldon Whitehouse

Remarks: U.S. Congressmen Seth Magaziner & Gabe Amo

## ***Keynote Address: Deputy Chief Kevin D. Quinn, Ret., Union Fire District***

To Honor Rhode Island's Firefighters who have Died in the Line of Duty,  
their names will be read from the Tablets on the RI Firefighters Memorial LODD Wall.

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| 1828 – 1912 | Read by Marshal Timothy P. McLaughlin, RI State Fire Marshal<br>And by Sue Hawksley, RI Fire Instructors Association  |
| 1912 – 1945 | Read by Chief Joseph Terino, Ret., Past President, 100 Club of Rhode Island<br>And by the RI Local Assistance State Team (LAST)                                       |
| 1947 – 1967 | Read by Captain Norman "Chip" Mainville, Northern RI FF's League<br>And by Chief Mark St Pierre, President, RI State FF's League                                      |
| 1967 – 1986 | Read by Chief Justin Lee, President, RI Southern FF's League<br>And by the Woonasquatucket Valley FF's League   |
| 1986 – 2008 | Read by Chief Howard Tighe, RI State Association of Firefighters<br>And by Lieutenant Michael Shurtleff, RI State Association of Firefighters                         |
| 2009 – 2022 | Read by Chief Robert Bradley, President, RI Association of Fire Chiefs<br>And by Chief John Silva, President, RIAFC Foundation  |
| 2023 & Past | Read by representatives of the North Kingstown FD, Richmond Carolina FD,<br>Misquamicut FD, West Warwick FD, Providence FD & family & friends of those Honored LODD's |

Chief John H.P. Burdick – North Kingstown FD - January 14, 1929

Assistant Chief Albert Gervasini – Misquamicut FD – April 25, 1971

Deputy Chief Robert T. Gardner – Richmond Carolina FD – January 26, 2023

Battalion Chief James L. Varin – Providence FD – February 27, 2023

Lieutenant David Simas – West Warwick FD – June 5, 2023

Benediction: Reverend Gary C. Lemery, RIAFC Chaplain

Reading of the Firefighters Prayer by Adam Chuman, Providence FD

Bell Ceremony: Director Pare & Rhode Island Fire Academy students

Amazing Grace performed by the Rhode Island Professional Firefighters Pipes & Drums