



2014 Region IV Conference Memorial Service

Vancouver British Columbia

Catherine LeBeau Hall

Former Arizona MVD employee

Passed away on July 26, 2013



Catherine was a Customer Service Representative and worked in AZ's Tempe Office until November 2009 when she resigned

Linda Dallas Gamble

Arizona Motor Vehicle Division

Started work in 1994 in Tuba City as a Customer Service Representative

Passed away August 2, 2013

Keith Nardi

December 27, 1950 - November 27, 2013

Keith was employed by the Oregon DOT for 16 years. Most recently he served as the Mail Transaction Section Manager.

Keith had a big loving heart and touched the lives of many.

He had a passion for cars, helping those less fortunate, and loved cooking, which earned him the title of “Chef Boy ‘Nardi,” which he really did not like!!

Keith cared about his employees and was an active participant in the agency’s employee engagement initiative. Each quarter he held an “Employee Appreciation Day,” to serve all the section employees hot cocoa, ice cream floats, or margaritas (sans the alcohol of course!).

Keith is missed by all the Oregon DMV family that had the honor of working with him and calling him a friend.



Grady Waxenfelter

Clackamas County Weighmaster
Oregon Department of Transportation
Began employment in 1987

Killed in the line of duty on February 6, 2014, Waxenfelter attempted to stop a heavy truck. Following a short pursuit, the driver of the truck stopped. When Waxenfelter approached the driver, he was shot and killed. His killer remains free.

Waxenfelter was active in the Estacada Baptist Church, devoting his time to the fellowship and church welfare outreach. He was also an avid motorcycle enthusiast who started a church motorcycle club.



Officer Brian Law

California Highway Patrol

Age: 34

End of watch: February 17, 2014

Officer Brian Law and Officer Juan Gonzalez were riding in the same cruiser responding to an accident, incorrectly reported in the northbound lanes. As they responded to the scene they came upon the accident in the southbound lanes with one of the victims in their travel lane. The patrol car swerved in an attempt to avoid striking the victim, struck the guardrail, and overturned. They both suffered fatal injuries in the crash.



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Jerry Prine

1954 – 2014

Motor Carrier Enforcement Officer, Oregon
Department of Transportation

Jerry worked for ODOT for 23 years and was a career volunteer for the West Side Fire Department for the last 30 years. He especially enjoyed the outdoors, camping, hunting and spending time with his family and friends, especially his grandchildren.

Died April 1, 2014.



Stuart Ferguson

- 1943 – 2014
- Farm Registration Specialist
- Oregon Department of Transportation, retired.
- Died on April 20, 2014



Trooper Gabriel Rich

Alaska State Troopers

End of Watch: Thursday, May 1, 2014

Trooper Gabe Rich and Sergeant Scott Johnson were shot and killed while investigating reports that a person had brandished a firearm in the village of Tanana several days earlier. Both troopers had gone to a home on Front Street to speak to the suspect. At some point during the investigation they were fatally shot inside the home.

Trooper Rich had served with the Alaska State Troopers for 3-1/2 years and had previously served with the North Pole Police Department for four years. He is survived by his two sons, fiancé, and parents.



Sergeant Patrick Scott Johnson



Alaska State Troopers, Alaska

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Sergeant Johnson had served with the Alaska State Troopers for 20 years and had previously served with the North Slope Borough Police Department for three years. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, parents, and siblings.