

In Remembrance

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James "Mike" Devine worked for the Arizona Motor Vehicle Division. He was Deputy Director from August 13, 2007 through September 16, 2010. James passed away on Sunday, June 29, 2014 after a courageous battle with ALS.

JAMES "MIKE" DEVINE
PASSED AWAY: 06/29/2014

ARIZONA



Steve Timarac worked for the Arizona Motor Vehicle Division as an ASO 3 employed from January 1, 1997 through March 30, 2007.

Steve joined the United States Air Force and served in the Arizona Air National Guard from 1967-1973 completing his service as a Tech Sergeant.

Steve passed away on July 3, 2014 after a courageous battle with cancer.

**STEPHEN MICHAEL TIMARAC
PASSED AWAY: 07/03/2014**

ARIZONA



On July 22, we lost long-time District 12 transportation maintenance specialist, Don Kendall, in a tragic incident. Don was working on a chip seal project with his fellow crew members near Echo when he was struck and killed by one of our 10 yard dump trucks.

Don Kendall came to work for ODOT in 1979 as a seasonal employee. In 1985 he joined the Department full time. Don was extremely proud of the work the Ukiah crew did. He was a dedicated employee and liked being part of the ODOT family. Recently, he was involved with the Maintenance Trainee Program, helping to bring the next generation into the ODOT family.

**DON KENDALL
PASSED AWAY: 07/22/2014**

OREGON



Sherri Miller worked for the Arizona Department of Transportation in the MVD Director's Office as an Administrative Assistant 2. Sherri passed away on July 29, 2014 after a courageous battle with cancer.

**SHERRI ROXANNE MILLER
PASSED AWAY: 07/29/2014**

ARIZONA



In August 2014, DMV lost one of its former SE Portland DMV field office teammates, Janine Knight. She helped many customers and coworkers throughout her DMV career, before retiring in 2003.

Janine will be remembered for her kind smile and was a friend to all she came in to contact with.

**JANINE KNIGHT
PASSED AWAY: 08/24/2014**

OREGON



Janice Niedzwiecki Passed away on Friday,
October 3, 2014.

She worked in the MVD Director's Office as an
Administrative Assistant prior to her retirement
in 2006.

JANICE NIEDZWIEKI
PASSED AWAY: 10/03/2014

ARIZONA



Del started his career with the State of California in September of 1967, as an investigator with the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. This was briefly interrupted when he was drafted into the United States Army in January of 1968 as a Criminal Investigator. Upon being honorably discharged, he returned to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

He transferred to the California Department of Justice where he graduated from the FBI Academy, and worked his way up from Special Agent in the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement to the Chief of the Investigations and Enforcement Branch of the Division of Law Enforcement. During his career Del worked for two California Governors as a Governor's Appointee in various capacities, which included Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Del passed away November 2, 2014.

**ADELBERT A. PIERCE
PASSED AWAY: 11/02/2014**

CALIFORNIA



Chuck began his career in law enforcement, working 3 years for The City of Glendale Police Department, 19 years as a deputy and 5 years as a reserve deputy for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, and retiring after 8 years as an investigator for The State of Arizona. He was affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Police Maricopa Lodge 5 and Maricopa County Deputy Association. He worked for the Arizona Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division/Office of the Inspector General from 1996 to 2004. Chuck passed away November 13, 2014.

**CHARLES ROBERT EVANS, SR.
PASSED AWAY: 11/13/2014**

ARIZONA



JoEllen Markel, 42, passed away January 12, 2015 in Olympia, WA.

She graduated from Washington State School for the Deaf, and worked for Washington State Dept. of Licensing as an Office Assistant II for 16 years.

**JOELLEN MARKEL
PASSED AWAY: 01/12/2015**

WASHINGTON



Constable David Wynn and an unarmed auxiliary constable responded to the Apex Casino at approximately 3:00 am. The two officers had just reviewed video of a theft and were leaving the casino when they encountered the suspect.

As they placed the man under arrest the subject suddenly spun away from them. He drew a concealed handgun and opened fire, striking Constable Wynn in the head and the auxiliary constable in the torso. The man fled the scene and committed suicide in a nearby vacant house.

Constable Wynn was transported to a local hospital in grave condition. He succumbed to the wound five days later.

Constable Wynn had served with the RCMP for six years. He is survived by his wife and three children.

CST DAVID MATTHEW WYNN
END OF WATCH: 01/21/2015

ALBERTA



Officer Toni Kristinsson was killed in a vehicle crash on Highway 5, 10 kilometers north of Valemount.

His department vehicle collided with a commercial vehicle, causing him to suffer fatal injuries. The driver of the other vehicle suffered minor injuries.

Officer Kristinsson had served with Commercial Vehicle Safety and Enforcement for three years. He is survived by his wife, son, and sister.

OFC TONI KRISTINSSON
END OF WATCH: 02/01/2015

BRITISH
COLUMBIA



Josh, his wife Vanessa, and their 8-month-old son Hudson were killed instantly when a massive concrete slab fell from an overpass from work being done on State Route 410 fell onto their truck as they drove under a bridge.

Josh worked as a Licensing Service Representative for the Washington Department of Licensing.

Josh and his family were killed April 13, 2015.

**JOSH ELLIS
PASSED AWAY: 04/13/2015**

WASHINGTON



Colorado State Patrol Trooper Cadet Taylor Thyfault was struck and killed while attempting to lay stop strips. Cadet Thyfault was on a training ride-along with Trooper Clinton Rushing, who was critically injured in the incident. Both were trying to stop a vehicle pursuit and were outside their patrol car setting the strips. Thyfault's last act was to shout to the tow operator to jump to safety before he was fatally hit. After graduation he was to be assigned to Pagosa Springs.

He was a graduate of Windsor High School and played the position of goalie for the Windsor Wizards lacrosse team. Thyfault served in the U.S. Army and also attended Red Rocks Community College

CADET TROOPER TAYLOR J. THYFAULT
END OF WATCH: 05/23/2015

COLORADO