



STATE FIREMEN'S AND FIRE MARSHALS'
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS
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2012 MEMORIAL
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IN MEMORIAM



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**Sunday, June 10, 2012
10:30 am**

Houston, TX

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

As we set aside a time for a Memorial Service to honor those who departed from our midst during the past year, we herewith respectfully submit the following resolution.

WHEREAS: We desire to remember before God, our fellow firefighters who departed this life, and

WHEREAS: We desire to express our sorrow to their bereaved families,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commend the souls of the faithfully departed.
- We feel the loss of those who have given themselves unselfishly in the service of others.
- Each white flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each departed member, and each blue flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each SFFMA Past President, and each maroon flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each SFFMA Executive Board member, and each red flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each departed member who died in the line of duty.
- Each pink flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each departed Auxiliary Member, and each yellow flower be placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each TFA Past President, and each lavender flower placed upon the memorial cross be our hallowed tribute to each TFA Executive Board Member.
- Each Chief or representative of each department that has lost one of its members accept a flower from the memorial cross to be presented in turn to the bereaved family and inform the members of that family of this service held in memory of our beloved departed firefighters and TFA members.
- The memorial cross will be placed in Houston Firefighters Relief and Pension Office Memorial Garden
- And a copy of this resolution be printed in the proceedings of the 136th Annual Training Conference and Convention of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Ben Kennedy, Co-Chairman, SFFMA Chaplain

Paul Hamilton, Co-Chairman, SFFMA 4th Vice President

Donna Chudalla, TFA President

Dixie Whitmore, TFA Chaplain

Ernest O. Reesing Jr., SFFMA Past President 1988

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William Anthony Cargile, Member

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Laura Hunter, Houston Fire Department, Member

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BELL CEREMONY

The men and women of today's fire service are confronted with a more dangerous work environment than ever before. We are forced to continually change our strategies and tactics to accomplish our tasks.

Our methods may change, but our goals remain the same as they were in the past, to save lives and to protect property, sometimes at a terrible cost. This is what we do, this is our chosen profession; this is the tradition of the fire fighter.

The fire service of today is ever changing, but is steeped in traditions 200 years old. One such tradition is the sound of a bell.

In the past, as firefighters began their tour of duty, it was the bell that signaled the beginning of that day's shift. Throughout the day and night each alarm was sounded by a bell which summoned these brave souls to fight fires and to place their lives in jeopardy for the good of their fellow citizens. When the fire was out and the alarm had come to an end, it was the bell that signaled to all the completion of that call. When a firefighter had died in the line of duty, paying the supreme sacrifice, it was the mournful toll of the bell that solemnly announced a comrade's passing.

We utilize these traditions as symbols, which reflect honor and respect on those who have given so much and who have served so well. To symbolize the devotion that these brave souls had to their duty, a single toll represents the end of our comrades duties and that they will be returning to quarters. So, to those who have selflessly given their lives for the good of their fellow man, their tasks completed, their duties well done, to our comrades, their last alarm, they are going home.

2012 MEMORIAL SERVICE

Prelude	Dixie Whitmore, <i>TFA Chaplain</i>
Procession	<i>Houston Pipe and Drum Corps</i>
Honor Guard	<i>Houston FD and Cy-Fair FD Honor Guards</i>
Call to Order	Rex Klesel, <i>SFFMA President</i>
Presentation of Colors	<i>Houston Fire Department</i>
Invocation	Bill Green, <i>Deer Park VFD Chaplain</i>
Musical Selection	Leah Lewis
Memorial Res. Reading.....	Ernest O. Reesing Jr., <i>Past President 1988</i>
Bell Ceremony Reading	Ben Kennedy, <i>SFFMA Chaplain</i>
Line of Duty Death Roll Call	Patrick Hlavaty, <i>Past President 1997</i>
Firefighter Roll Call	Patrick Hlavaty, <i>Past President 1997</i>
Auxiliary Reading	Dixie Whitmore, <i>TFA Chaplain</i>
Auxiliary Roll Call	Dixie Whitmore, <i>TFA Chaplain</i>
Musical Selection	Leah Lewis
Bell Ringer.....	<i>Houston Fire Department</i>
Light Operator	<i>Houston Fire Department</i>
Placing Flowers	Jeri Hamilton, <i>TFA 3rd Vice President</i>
Placing Flowers	Charlene Klesel, <i>TFA Past President</i>
Assisting	Donna Chudalla, <i>TFA President</i>
Assisting	Shari Schiffman, <i>TFA Immediate Past President</i>
Memorial Sermon	Ben Kennedy, <i>SFFMA Chaplain</i>
Benediction.....	Ben Kennedy, <i>SFFMA Chaplain</i>
Musical Selection	<i>Houston Pipe and Drum Corps</i>
Signal 5-5-5	Ben Kennedy, <i>SFFMA Chaplain</i>
Taps	Chief Butch Tolbert, <i>Cuero Fire Department</i>
Retire the Colors	<i>Houston Fire Department</i>
Recessional	<i>Houston Pipe and Drum Corps</i>
Postlude.....	Dixie Whitmore, <i>TFA Chaplain</i>



CLEMENT HOWARD “C. H.” BORING

Past President 1961

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

The State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association, the Texas Firemen's Auxiliary and all of the Firefighters of Texas suggested a tragic loss with the unexpected death of Past President C. H. Boring.

WHEREAS: C. H. Boring served as President of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association in 1961.

WHEREAS: C. H. Boring dedicated his life to serving the citizens of Texas and the Firefighters of Texas.

WHEREAS: Past President C. H. Boring will always be remembered for his dedication to training and service to his fellow man.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that this Association expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt condolences to the Boring family and do hereby respectfully and reverently dedicate this 136th Annual Memorial Service to the memory of Past President C. H. Boring this 10th day of June 2012.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

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DONNIE GLEN PICKARD

Past President 2008

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

The State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association, the Texas Firemen's Auxiliary and all of the Firefighters of Texas suffered a tragic loss with the unexpected death of Past President Donnie Pickard.

WHEREAS: Donnie Pickard served as President of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association in 2008.

WHEREAS: Donnie Pickard dedicated his life to the service of the Citizens of the State of Texas and the Firefighters of Texas.

WHEREAS: Past President Pickard will always be remembered as tireless member of this Association, dedicated to the training of fellow Firefighters and service to his fellow man.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RELOVED: that this Association expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt condolence to the Pickard family and do hereby respectfully and reverently dedicate this 136th Annual Memorial Service to the memory of Past President Donnie Pickard this 10th day of June 2012.

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In Memoriam 2012

LINE OF DUTY

Val Verde County Rural Volunteer Fire Department

Lt. Larry Nelson August 12, 2011

Memphis Fire Department

Matt Waller February 25, 2012

Houston Fire Department

Sr. Capt. Thomas W. Dillion March 14, 2012

Rosehill Volunteer Fire Department

Mark Shepherd April 20, 2012

Brazos County Pct. 3 Fire Department

William Richard "Dick" Danes May 17, 2012

NON-LINE OF DUTY

Abilene Fire Department

Waymon Carroll “Red” Tyson.....September 28, 2008
Horace Max KeyNovember 7, 2008
Jeffrey Lynn Parker February 9, 2009
Tom MartinJune 27, 2009
Otis McCoyNovember 18, 2009
Octamus J. DukesOctober 10, 2009
Billy J. MootyAugust 11, 2010
Elbert T. “Cack” CastleberryDecember 10, 2010

Alvarado Fire Department

Frank DennisApril 19, 2012

Alvin Fire Department

Robert “Bob” CollinsOctober 1, 2011

Annville Volunteer Fire Department

Johnny RamosSeptember 13, 2011

Aransas Pass Volunteer Fire Department

Sarah Elizabeth Truitt ChaseFebruary 16, 2012

Arp Volunteer Fire Department

James M. WilliamsonDecember 21, 2011

Arrowhead Ranch Estates Volunteer Fire Department

Edwin “Ed” Russell AlcockMarch 7, 2012
Jimmie Glenn CookMarch 17, 2012

Ballinger Fire Department

Bob BartlettFebruary 1, 2012
John CookApril 17, 2012

Bastrop Volunteer Fire Department

Claude SharpJuly 24, 2011

Bexar County South Volunteer Fire Department

Alex White December 20, 2011

Bowie Volunteer Fire Department

Jerry LancasterJanuary 16, 2012

Branch Volunteer Fire Department

Lt. Bret RasmussenJune 24, 2011

Brazos County Pct. 4 Volunteer Fire Department

James “Jim” Ray Collins Jr..... April 9, 2012

Brenham Fire Department

Lonnie William TiemannMay 29, 2011

James “Jimmy” H. FathauerDecember 12, 2011

Brownfield Fire Department

Leonard T. IsaacsApril 9, 2012

Brownsville Fire Department

Cpt. Joe Puente, Jr.....June 25, 2011

Brownwood Fire Department

Lt. Shannon StoneJuly 7, 2011

Cameron Fire Department

Nathan LewisJuly 22, 2011

Ed LaywellNovember 21, 2011

Canyon Fire Department

Jack JenningsSeptember 23, 2011

Nathan WatsonDecember 29, 2011

Castroville Volunteer Fire Department

Clifton NelsonDecember 23, 2011

Channing Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Jeremy TunnelMay 21, 2012

Conroe Fire Department

Lloyd Thomas GrahamFebruary 3, 2012

Robert CapozzelliMarch 23, 2012

Crystal Beach Volunteer Fire-Rescue-EMS

Edwin H. Smith, Sr.October 15, 2011

Cuero Volunteer Fire Department

Kenneth LiesmanApril 19, 2011

Philip CoweyJune 10, 2011

Edinburg Fire Department

Clyde RutherfordNovember 29, 2011

David BeckApril 7, 2011

El Campo Fire Department

Jesse HubenakMay 4, 2012

Ennis Fire Department

Fred A. Newton IIINovember 8, 2011

Charles GentryJanuary 11, 2012

Henry BryantMarch 20, 2012

Rex V. Carter Jr.April 9, 2012

Fannin Volunteer Fire Department

Glenn BegoNovember 17, 2011

Floydada Fire Department

Leroy BurnsJuly 9, 2011

Paul McIntosh (Lockney FD)April 26, 2012

Ganado Volunteer Fire Department

Louis James (L.J.) KlekarJune 25, 2011

Gatesville Fire Department

Bill WigginsJune 26, 2011

Greenwood Rural Volunteer Fire Department

Lt. Jeff BergtMay 20, 2012

Hallettsville Fire Department

John David Henneke, Sr.July 1, 2011

Marvin L. PatekApril 24, 2012

Paul A. Najvar, Sr.May 17, 2012

Hearne Volunteer Fire Department

Horace Hienz MathewsFebruary 7, 2011

James W. StarkeyJune 12, 2011

Hereford Volunteer Fire Department

Jerry CollierJuly 30, 2011

Hillsboro Fire Department

Norman HoneycuttDecember 5, 2011

Huntsville Fire Department

John Lee CookMay 2, 2012

Ingleside Volunteer Fire Department

Carsten MeyerDecember 11, 2011

Jefferson County Water District No. 10 Volunteer Fire Department

Larry Gene O'Connor, Sr.May 20, 2011

Kermit Fire Department

Jim WebbDecember 14, 2011

Kicaster Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Harland ZachariasJune 29, 2011

Killeen Fire Department

Billy R. DunnJuly 20, 2011

Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Mike FuhreJune 23, 2011

Lake Arrowhead Volunteer Fire Department

Wayne MorrisApril 5, 2012

Lake Jackson Fire Department

Ralph Michael HarperJune 18, 2011

La Marque Fire Department

David RyanNovember 28, 2010

Lexington Fire Department

Robert N. AdrendtSeptember 1, 2011

McAllen Fire Department

Fire Marshal Honore CastroSeptember 6, 2011

Chief Everett H. "Butch" DerrOctober 17, 2011

Milano Fire Department

Earl Ray LewisOctober 26, 2011

Mineral Wells Fire Department

Chief Eugene Steven "Steve" Perdue.....December 5, 2011

Moffat Fire Department

Kenneth Wayne MizeAugust 27, 2011

Moore Volunteer Fire Department

Cecil BraggApril 26, 2011

Natalia Volunteer Fire Department

Charles CollinsSeptember 28, 2011

Orange Grove Fire Department

Mark ParisherDecember 10, 2011

Ozona Fire Department

Dee KeilersNovember 1, 2011

Paris Fire Department

Chief Oswald “Bugs” GuilliamsSeptember 2, 2011

Plano Fire Department

Brody FlemingMarch 12, 2012

Pleasanton Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Dudley Dee RoyalJune 23, 2011

Lee Roy JaksikSeptember 7, 2011

Ruperto MartinezDecember 27, 2011

Richmond Fire Department

Orin CovellNovember 10, 2010

Rockdale Fire Department

Joel NewMarch 12, 2012

Rosenberg Fire Department

Jose F. Fernandez, IIJune 30, 2011

San Juan Fire Department

Lt. Carlos “Chucky” GomezFebruary 5, 2012

Sonora Volunteer Fire Department

Patrick CampbellApril 4, 2012

Stafford Fire Department

Odin WellsMay 7, 2011

Tanglewood Volunteer Fire Department

James Howard “Jamie” WrightOctober 11, 2011

TEEX - Municipal School Instructor

W.L. “Levi” SmallwoodMay 2, 2012

Temple Fire Department

Wallace Rae ReeseDecember 1, 2011

Waco Fire Department

Clarence Leon Vick, Jr.July 25, 2011

Tommy Lane LowrySeptember 19, 2011

Westlake Fire Department

Chief David RupeMay 21, 2012

Wichita Falls Fire Department

Kelley CrushMarch 25, 2012

Wild Peach Fire Department

Sherry Lynn “DeDe” DorrisApril 16, 2012

Winters Volunteer Fire Department

Walter GreenJanuary 4, 2012

TEXAS FIREMEN'S AUXILIARY

TFA PAST PRESIDENTS

Ralls

1995 Past President, Tammy Spivey.....September 20, 2011

Baytown

1991 Past President, Patti Donnelly February 7, 2012

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Anson

Sarah JonesSeptember 16, 2011

Deer Park

Angie CrowMay 15, 2011

Friberg-Cooper

Tammy StaffordMarch 11, 2011

Hallettsville

Leona Marie NajvarJune 14, 2011

LaMarque

Bonnie NormanMay 30, 2011

Menard

Patty MillerMay 11, 2012

Seguin

Thusnelda WenigerJuly 24, 2011

Thorndale

Jeanette ClarkOctober 21, 2011

Norma SwensonSeptember 16, 2011

Winters

Nevelle WaggonerNovember 14, 2010

Rebecca McKownSeptember 1, 2011

Debra LindseyDecember 1, 2011

Beth HamiltonJanuary 8, 2012

Pat SimpsonFebruary 5, 2012

JoAnne SanchezMarch 8, 2012

Taps, The Beginning..

During the Civil War, in July 1862 when the Army of the Potomac was in camp, Brig. Gen. Daniel Butterfield summoned Pvt. Oliver Wilcox Norton, his brigade bugler, to his tent. Butterfield, who disliked the colorless "extinguish lights" call then in use, whistled a new tune and asked the bugler to sound it for him. After repeated trials and changing the time of some notes which were scribbled on the back of an envelope, the call was finally arranged to suit Gen. Butterfield and used for the first time that night. Pvt. Norton, who on several occasions, had sounded numerous new calls composed by his commander, recalled his experience of the origin of "Taps" years later:

"One day in July 1862 when the Army of the Potomac was in camp at Harrison's Landing on the James River, Virginia, resting and recruiting from its losses in the seven days of battle before Richmond, Gen. Butterfield summoned the writer to his tent, and whistling some new tune, asked the bugler to sound it for him. This was done, not quite to his satisfaction at first, but after repeated trials, changing the time of some of the notes, which were scribbled on the back of an envelope, the call was finally arranged to suit the general.

"He then ordered that it should be substituted in his brigade for the regulation "Taps" (extinguish lights) which was printed in the Tactics and used by the whole army. This was done for the first time that night. The next day buglers from nearby brigades came over to the camp of Butterfield's brigade to ask the meaning of this new call. They liked it, and copying the music, returned to their camps, but it was not until some time later, when generals of other commands had heard its melodious notes, that orders were issued, or permission given, to substitute it throughout the Army of the Potomac for the time-honored call which came down from West Point.

In the western armies the regulation call was in use until the autumn of 1863. At that time the XI and XII Corps were detached from the Army of the Potomac and sent under command of Gen. Hooker to reinforce the Union Army at Chattanooga, Tenn. Through its use in these corps it became known in the western armies and was adopted by them. From that time, it became and remains to this day the official call for "Taps."

Gen. Butterfield, in composing this call and directing that it be used for "Taps" in his brigade, could not have foreseen its popularity and the use for another purpose into which it would grow.

Taps

Day is done.
Gone the sun.
From the lakes
From the hills.
From the sky.
All is well.
Safely rest.
God is nigh.

Fading light.
Dims the sight.
And a star.
Gems the sky.
Gleaming bright.
From afar.
Drawing nigh.
Falls the night.

Thanks and praise.
For our days.
Neath the sun
Neath the stars.
Neath the sky

As we go.
This we know.
God is nigh.....