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National Police Week 2021: Remembering Our Fallen Law Enforcement Officers

Harrisonburg, VA – Again this year, communities across the United States will come together during National Police Week, which will be held on two occasions in 2021; May 9-15 and October 13-17.

In May, Police Week will be commemorated nationally by virtual events that can be viewed from anywhere in the world. The National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum will deliver on-line programs to keep current officers safe and healthy, as well as ceremonies to honor those fallen officers whose names have been recently added to the Memorial. The week will be highlighted by the 33rd Annual Candlelight Vigil, happening virtually on Thursday, May 13 at 8:00 p.m. (Eastern). To register, go to LawMemorial.org/RegisterCV.

This year, the names of 394 officers killed in the line of duty are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC. These 394 officers include 295 (182 fatalities are COVID-19-related) who were killed during 2020, plus 99 officers who died in previous years but whose stories of sacrifice had been lost to history until now.

Locally, fallen law enforcement officers from Rockingham County and Harrisonburg City will be remembered during police week services to include the traditional ceremony in front of the Public Safety Building in Harrisonburg on Monday, May 10th at 9:00 a.m. Those local officers lost in the line of duty:

- Sergeant Manuel Trenary – Harrisonburg Police – End of Watch 10/8/1959
- Patrolman Wayne Stoutameyer – Bridgewater Police – End of Watch 05/25/1976
- Deputy John Rafter – Rockingham County Sheriff's Office – End of Watch 02/07/1983
- Chief William Davies – Grottoes Police – End of Watch 07/21/1988



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HPD 's Honor Guard will conduct a wreath laying at the gravesite of Sergeant Trenary following the ceremony downtown. The Harrisonburg Police Department will also commemorate "virtual" Police Week through its social media outlets and through memorial displays at the entrance to the Public Safety Building to include blue lights at night.

In-person events are planned for October 13-17, 2021 in Washington, DC to offer the same respect, honor, remembrance, and community support as National Police Week, while allowing law enforcement, survivors, and citizens to gather and pay tribute to those who gave their lives in the line of duty. For October, HPD has tentatively planned to conduct events and activities more in line with the traditional community-based events to include Coffee-With-A -Cop, demonstrations from the Department's Motor, K9, and Community Resources Unit, Cone-with-a-Cop, and more.

For more information about National Police Week, please visit <https://nleomf.org/programs-events/national-police-week>.

For more information about the local events, visit www.harrisonburgva.gov/police/National-Police-Week or Facebook.com/HarrisonburgPoliceDepartment.

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