



ASSOCIATION *of*
FISH & WILDLIFE
AGENCIES

TRIBUTE TO FALLEN HEROES

Purpose of the Tribute to Fallen Heroes:

To honor recognizes agency officers and employees who have given the ultimate sacrifice of their lives while carrying out their duties to conserve fish and wildlife resources within the past year.

Recognition in Annual Tribute:

To be included in the annual tribute, the individual must have been an officer or employee who was killed in the line of duty as defined by their agency. "Employee" means any person who has the responsibility for managing wildlife or fisheries or their habitats or enforcing regulations pertaining to wildlife and/or fisheries when the employer of such employee is a full member of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

Fallen Heros in Memorium:

The Association will pay tribute to the Fallen Heroes during a moment of reflection at the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies' Annual Awards Banquet held in the fall at AFWA's annual meeting. After the ceremony, the names of the heroes will be listed on AFWA's website at www.fishwildlife.org and on a plaque in the Association's Washington, DC office. The President of the Association also will send a letter of commemoration to the family of the Fallen Hero.

Tribute Nomination Information:

Only full members of the Association may submit a Fallen Hero nomination. Please include a brief statement with the name of the individual, name of agency, age, and date of passing. Also, please attach a photo if available.

Direct Questions & Annual Award Nominations to:

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*Accepting electronic nominations only. Please submit nominations to pallen@fishwildlife.org

Deadline for Submissions: September 1, 2026