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Four Kansas Fallen Firefighters to be Honored at National Memorial Service October 9

EMMITSBURG, MD – The 35th Annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service will honor four firefighters who died in the line of duty from Kansas. They are among the 79 firefighters who died in 2015 and 33 firefighters who died in previous years who will be remembered at the official national service at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland on Sunday, October 9.

Training Officer Michael B. Corn, age 67, of the Conway Springs Fire Department collapsed and died while preparing to respond to a structure fire on April 27, 2015.

Firefighter Ronnie W. Peek, age 49, of the Garden City Fire Department died after mandatory Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) training on January 22, 2015.

Firefighter Clifford R. Sanders, age 55, of the Caney Volunteer Fire Department suffered a stroke while responding to a grass fire and later died on January 29, 2015.

Engineer Robert S. Smith, age 50, of Lawrence-Douglas County Fire Medical died after he responded to multiple emergencies on March 21, 2011.

Their names will be added to the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial on the Academy grounds. The national tribute is sponsored by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) and the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Fire Administration.

Thousands are expected to attend the service, including families and friends of the fallen firefighters, members of Congress, Administration officials and other dignitaries. Families will receive flags flown over the U. S. Capitol and the National Memorial. Members of the fire service, honor guard units and pipe and drum units from across the country will participate in this national tribute.

For a complete list of fallen firefighters being honored and a widget to display their information on your website, along with Memorial Weekend related videos, photos, media and broadcast information go to www.firehero.org.