



Nebraska Law Enforcement Memorial
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Dear Fellow Law Enforcement Professionals, Survivors, Supporters and Family Members,

Beginning with the dedication of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Memorial during Police Week in 2009, each year the Nebraska Law Enforcement Memorial Committee has held a ceremony honoring law enforcement professionals the state of Nebraska who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Unfortunately this year, we are cancelling our ceremony scheduled for Monday May 11th at 1000hrs, at the Law Memorial Park in Grand Island due to the current health crisis facing our state, nation and the world.

This year we honor and remember Nebraska State Patrol Trooper Jerry Smith. Jerry's watch ended Thursday, June 20, 2019 when he was killed in a vehicle accident two miles west of Bridgeport, NE in Morrill County. Jerry is survived by his wife, Karin Smith; son, daughter-in-law, and their children James and Christine Smith and Raige Angelina and Jaxson Zeus; son Scott Smith; daughter Mechelle Smith; mother-in-law Henriette Pick; aunt Shirley Howard.

Jerry's name will be the 147th name memorialized on the granite wall. We ask that you join us in prayer for Jerry's family and co-workers, our other brothers and sisters who we remember and honor every year, our brothers and sisters on the front lines, protecting those they serve and our state and nation as we work together to defeat this health crisis.

We will not forget Jerry or any of his fallen brothers and sisters. We are grateful for our active law enforcement officers and first responders who continue to risk their own well-being to ensure the safety of others.

Sincerely,

Inv. Jarret Daugherty, Grand Island PD
President, Nebraska Law Enforcement Memorial Committee