



 Washington State Department of
Labor & Industries

2016 WORKER MEMORIAL DAY

APRIL 28, 2016

Commemorating workers who died in Washington State
in 2015 as a result of job-related injuries and illnesses.

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Key H. Osborne ▪ Scott C. Perkins ▪ Peter J. Ploeger ▪ Neal L. Reau ▪ Gregory L. Reece ▪ Marjorie M. Reed
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Posting of the colors

Washington Corrections Center Honor Guard
(DOC), Shelton WA

Invocation & Benediction

Chaplain Bill Terhune
South Bay Fire Department

Welcome

Joel Sacks
Director, Department of Labor & Industries

Governor Jay Inslee

Jeff Johnson
President, Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO

Bob Battles
General Counsel/Government Affairs Director,
Association of Washington Business

Sheri Sundstrom
President, Washington Self-Insurers Association

Cody Arledge
President, Kid's Chance

Special Musical Tribute "You are the New Day"
Tumwater High School Noteables

Memorial reading of names

Bell Ringers, Tumwater Local 2409
Washington State Council of Fire Fighters

Sign Interpretation
Verna Siegel

Memorial Garden Bell Ceremony
Director Sacks



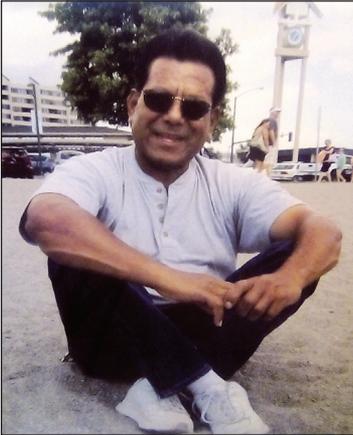
*Thoughts and photos
provided by families
of workers lost in 2015*



*In memory of
Robert L. Brown*

Robert L. Brown, 82, Construction Superintendent

Robert Brown was really an old cowboy; it was something that was in his blood. He was a rodeo rider and was very proud of the gold buckle that he won. During his career, he worked on dams and was a hod carrier with Local 242. He was a great man.



Phillip Cruz, Jr., 50, Journeyman Carpenter

Also known as “Tac” by family and close friends, he was born in Oakland, Calif., on Oct.19, 1964. He was a beloved son, husband, father, brother and friend. A journeyman carpenter, he worked on many university, medical, and commercial buildings. He completed a four-year apprenticeship in 1986 and remained in the trade all of his life. He married in the spring of 2006 and was blessed with a daughter in the summer of 2009. Tac loved Jesus, Star trek, his Elvis Collection, astronomy telescope, history books and R&B music. He recently replaced an engine and transmission in his 1993 Blazer. He was a man who could make things work. He was talented, handsome and dedicated. Until we meet again, we miss you. RIP



Ernest Joseph Eichhorn, Jr., 34, Landscape Architect Designer

We would like to introduce you to our son, my brother, and my life partner. Ernie was born in Walla Walla, the middle child of three. Ernie was a gentle soul, always considering the well-being of others. Ernie viewed the world through an artist’s eyes; whatever he set his mind to he could create. Ernie took the path of being a landscape architect designer, which allowed him to collaborate with clients and create with his hands the visions they imagined. This was an art he enjoyed and through it he made the world a more beautiful place. We are lucky to have been his family, and we will miss Ernie forever.



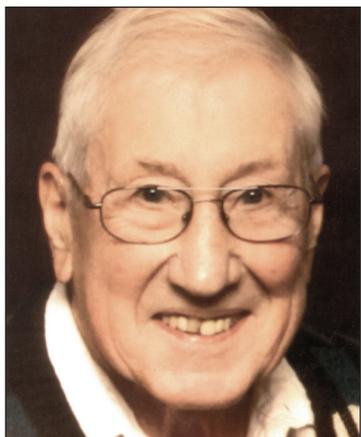
Ronda Rae Gaglidari, 62, Bartender

Ronda, my mother and my friend, you always had a bright smile and a big heart for all those who knew you. You loved bartending and were pretty darn good at it too. We always had a room for a friend or family in need, be it the human kind or the furry four-legged kind. You were a beloved mother, sister, grandma, aunt and friend to many people who miss you. You were taken before I was ready to say goodbye. I miss you and love you always. Lonnie



José Jesus Gutierrez, 40, Industrial Mechanic

José Gutierrez is survived by five kids. We are thankful for the short time we were able to have with you. Although you are no longer with us, you are missed and loved every day.



Joseph Paul Haunreiter, 83, Logging Truck Driver

Born March 20, 1932. He passed away on June 26, 2015, in a logging truck accident in Rochester, Wash., while heading home after a long, hot day. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth (Irish) Haunreiter, and four children: twins Jeffery and Valerie, Timothy, and Joey. Joseph was known as the "Million Mile Man." He hauled frozen foods, pulled double-wide, hauled plate glass, drove cement truck and belly dumps for the steam plant. After he retired, he bought a logging truck. He loved his work and we miss him so. Love you honey. From your loving wife, Beth Haunreiter, and family.



John Leber, 71, Business Owner

Flying was John Leber's passion. He was a member of the International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians, a 36-year member of the Longview Rotary, sat on several community boards and contributed much. He served as a U.S. Army Lieutenant during the Vietnam War. After purchasing Swanson Fuel in 1994, he changed the company name to Swanson Bark & Wood Products, Inc., and then expanded the business to include 84 acres and 150 people. He always said that he was just an old farmer and that Swanson was a way for him to keep playing in the dirt with really big toys.



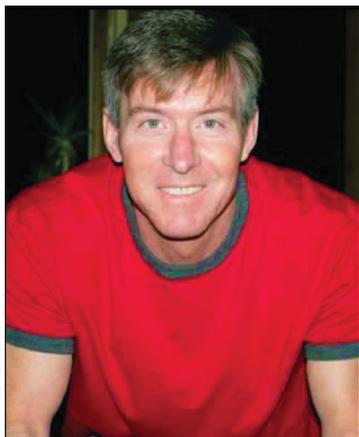
Kenneth Lee Miller, 84, Parts Driver

Ken Miller was born in Pasadena, Calif., in 1930. In 1947, he joined the Navy and became a corpsman. He met the love of his life, Della, whom he married in 1952. The couple moved to Colfax, where his daughters, Marlys and Andrea, were born. Ken's life was always about service. He was in the Washington State Patrol for 30 years, and received an award from Kentucky for service during a visit. He was in the Civil Air Patrol, a volunteer firefighter, EMT, elder in his church, father and grandfather (Opa). It is impossible to count how many people are alive today having been blessed by his dedication. After the WSP, he worked for Barrier Motors. He is missed by his family and friends, but we know he is now home with his Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.



Julie Norris, 94, Bookkeeper

Julie Norris was born in Italy in 1920 and came to America with her parents while still a baby. They settled in Seattle. After business school, Julie went to work as a bookkeeper at the EJ Bartell's Company where she met her husband John. They had 57 wonderful years together, raised five children, and enjoyed nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Julie passed away from mesothelioma. Her life was devoted to her family, friends, and faith. We remember her as a great mom, loving grandmother, and big sister to our one and only Uncle Ralph. We miss you Mom.



Scott C. Perkins, 49, Logger

Scott C. Perkins moved from Idaho to the Olympic Peninsula in 1984. Scott owned and operated the logging company Full Circle Forestry for over 20 years. He was a diesel mechanic, commercial fisherman, timber feller and mentor to many. He loved being on the water and in the outdoors, and he was a talented cook. Scott was passionate about life and loved sharing it with his family and friends. He was a wonderful father to his three children, the most selfless friend, and an exemplary son. He was known throughout the community for his character and kindness. Scott was born on June 13, 1966 and died September 23, 2015.



Neal Lloyd Reau, 35, Technician

Neal Reau was a technician who serviced office machines, including regular service calls to a small rural bank in Eastern Oregon. His customers at the bank grew to be so fond of him. He really brightened their day, but on his first service call to the very rural area, they didn't know what to think – he had long hair and was a vegetarian! Neal really enjoyed helping others and that was how he did his job. When the bank's office machine turned out to be a lemon, he persuaded his company to send them a new one. He was a true Good Samaritan and was smart and quirky. He is loved and missed by all, especially his Mom and Dad.



Gregory Reece, 53, Framer

Gregory Reece was injured in a fall from a ladder on Dec. 13, 2006, and died of his injuries eight years later, on Nov. 28, 2014.



Richard Runyon, 64, Test Pilot

Rich Runyon was born and raised on the family farm in southeast Iowa. He majored in aerospace engineering at Iowa State, joined the Air Force ROTC program, and met his wife, Karen. He was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years and flew jets and helicopters and built his own airplane. Later, Rich and his family moved to Cheney and built a home with a grass-strip runway. He began work for Rocket Engineering in 1997 as an engineer and test pilot. Rich was killed on May 7, 2014, when the plane he was testing after an annual inspection went out of control and crashed into the Spokane River. Rich is deeply missed by his wife, his daughters and their spouses, Erin and Paul Jennings, Jamie and Adam Weingart, and his granddaughter Ava Mae Jennings.



Jeffery T. Sackman, 54, Logger

Jeffery Sackman — son, brother, father, grandfather, and friend. Born and raised in Okanogan County, Jeffery had Sackman blood, that of a dreamer and big ideas. Always thoughts of bigger and better things and none that really materialized much but the dream was always there. He was a hardworking, get-the-job-done kind of man. Always doing what he could to make things work. Jeffery was a proud father of eight children, some by blood and some by love, but all were considered his kids. He was a man of the biggest heart; when you got a hug, you knew that his love was surrounding you. He would take in and help a stranger and stray animal at any time. An infectious laughter and smile, the most humble of all men, loved by all and truly missed.



Timothy "Timmy" Thomas Sargent, 30, Highrise Window Cleaner

We'll always remember Timothy Thomas Sargent. Tim had a vast knowledge and deep passion for sports, especially his Seattle Seahawks. He was a gentleman at heart and a loving soul. He loved his family and friends deeply; they were the center of his life. His biggest dream was to become a father have a family of his own – a dream that was taken from him in his untimely passing. We'll always remember his kindness, joy, and his many jests. His death is a senseless tragedy that's left a hole in our lives that is impossible to fill. Tim will be forever loved and cherished.



Shaun Allen Sederberg, 44, Auto Body Painter

On Dec. 2, I lost the most important man in my life, my son Shaun Sederberg. Shaun loved fast cars, boats, the ocean, the dunes, music, guns, tattoos and the outdoors. He had an eye for color and was a vivid painter. My son loved life; his laughter would fill the room. As his mother, I am thankful and proud of the strong man he became and all the lives he touched. I see him in each of his three children, as the memories of him will be kept alive. "Loving you Shaun," for you will forever be within our hearts and our minds. — Mom



Rick Silva, 60, Police Officer

Our sweet beloved Rick is missed every day. He was the center and strength of our family, a wonderful and devoted husband, father and papa to four children and four grandchildren. His family was his life and he told us often how much he loved us. Rick had many passions and hobbies and was naturally good at all of them. He was a self-taught mechanic, car painter, race car driver, metal fabricator, a wonderful cook and a darn-good barbequer. With wife Cindy, he also loved the back roads on his Harley. Rick started his law enforcement career in 1988 as a corrections officer, then was a deputy sheriff for Lewis County. His last position was a police officer for Chehalis P.D., where his life and career ended in June 2015.



Brent Strong, 47, Firefighter Captain

Rest easy our fallen brother and
Be Strong, we have your back;
Rest easy and we will
Be Brave for you, your story will be told;
Rest easy with St. Florian because you have
taught us to Be Humble;
Rest easy your weary body, we know you gave your all;
Rest easy you've done your part,
we shall take it from here;
Rest easy as we ring the final bell,
you have answered your last call.

Brent Strong, 47 passed away September 20, 2015, after a courageous battle with brain cancer. He was born June 27, 1968. Gone but not forgotten.



John James Santos Ulloa, 45, Dock Coordinator

John was born and raised on Guam. He met Thu in 1987. They were married in 1989 and together have four children: John Jr., Justin, Jeremy and Jannah. He moved to Washington State in 2000, and it became his home. John loved life and he always brought joy to everyone he was around. He always had a smile on his face and saw the good in people. He made friends everywhere he went. His good-natured spirit will be missed by all his family and friends. John was an angel and is now in his rightful place in Heaven.



Erin L. Van Brocklin, 41, Logger

Erin Lee Van Brocklin was born in Bellingham on Feb. 14, 1973, to Lance and Judith Van Brocklin. One of his proudest accomplishments was his daughter Alexis. He cherished the time he spent with her. Logging and being in the woods was something Erin lived for. In an accident in the woods, Erin went with God doing what he loved. During his life, Erin was very fortunate to have people who believed in him and gave him opportunities that helped make him the man we will remember. In the last few years of Erin's life, he wanted to help others overcome similar struggles he faced in own life. His spirit lives on in those he positively affected. Erin is survived by his parents, daughter, siblings and many great friends.



**Richard Randall Wheeler, 31,
US Forest Service Firefighter**

Richard was born and raised in Michigan. He married his wife, Celeste, in December 2012. They moved to Wenatchee in April 2014 to pursue Rick's firefighting career. Rick was a fourth-generation firefighter. He would return to Michigan to attend Grand Valley State University, where he earned his B.A. in Natural Resources Management in 2013. Rick loved anything to do with the outdoors. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, and hiker and would always push himself to be the best he could be. Rick will be remembered for his smile, laughter, and energy. He was a loving husband, brother and son. Rick leaves behind wife, Celeste; parents, Karen and Randy Morey; and brothers Jacob and Nathan Morey and Robert Wheeler.



**Andrew Gray Zajac, 26,
US Forest Service Firefighter**

Andrew Zajac, 26, was born to a close-knit family in Downers Grove, Illinois. Growing up, he played the cello, football, and explored the nation's great outdoors on trips with his family. Andrew graduated from Downers Grove North High School, attended Case Western Reserve University, and earned a master's degree from University of South Dakota. Andrew had a deep love for his wife and family. He enjoyed creating things with his own two hands if for nothing else than to better understand how it worked. He took great pride in all that he did. He was a strong, independent, and intelligent man. He will be greatly missed.



**Thomas Nelson Zbyszewski, 20,
US Forest Service Firefighter**

Thomas Zbyszewski was born and raised in the Methow Valley. He had a close group of friends, many of whom he knew all of his life. Tom was very involved in the theater, loved academics, and had close relationships with his teachers. He was happy and enjoyed life, was kind and big-hearted, and always stuck up for the underdog. Tom was in his second season of firefighting. He loved the work and the camaraderie of the crew. He was one month shy of entering his junior year at Whitman College, majoring in physics, with a minor in Asian studies.

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, every year job-related injuries and illnesses cut short the lives of as many as 100 workers in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, loved ones, friends and co-workers of fallen workers experience untold pain and suffering; and

WHEREAS, the families of fallen workers experience economic hardship as well as emotional devastation; and

WHEREAS, business, labor and government must remain diligent in their efforts to prevent workplace deaths, injuries and disease; and

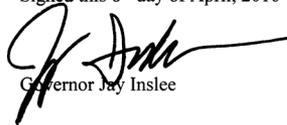
WHEREAS, a memorial ceremony provides all of us in Washington an opportunity to pay tribute to fallen workers and rededicate ourselves to workplace safety and health;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2016 as

Worker Memorial Day

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 8th day of April, 2016


Governor Jay Inslee





*Today we honor those individuals who
worked tirelessly to better the lives of their
families and our community but tragically
died as a result of doing their job.*

Our thoughts are with you.



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The Worker Memorial Garden on the grounds of the Department of Labor & Industries' headquarters in Tumwater, Washington, serves as a year-round remembrance of fallen workers. In 2007, a brass bell sculpture by artist Tom Torrens was donated by the Washington State Building and Construction Trades Council and installed in the garden.

The garden and bell are dedicated to all Washington workers who die from a workplace injury or illness. Each year at the annual Worker Memorial Day ceremony relatives ring this bell in honor of their loved one.