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Oregon Fallen Firefighters to be Honored at National Memorial Service on October 6

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EMMITSBURG, MD – The U.S. Fire Service will honor two firefighters, who died in the line of duty, from Oregon during the 38th National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service on Sunday, October 6, 2019. They are among the 92 firefighters who died in the line of duty in 2018 and 27 firefighters who died in previous years who will be remembered at the official national service at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Firefighter Eric C. Aarseth, age 20, of the Miller Timber Services, Inc., died on September 3, 2018, from septic pneumonia after returning from deployment to the Horn Mountain Fire in NE Washington on August 27, 2018.

Battalion Chief Mark J. Burns, age 62, of the Medford Fire-Rescue, died on March 6, 2016, from complications after developing pneumonia due to prolonged exposure to heavy smoke and heat conditions while coordinating and assisting with evacuation and extinguishment operations during a wind-driven grass fire that had jumped the highway and threatened multiple homes in a subdivision.

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.

More than 5,000 people, including families, friends, members of Congress, Administration officials and firefighters are expected to attend on Sunday. Firefighter Honor Guards and Pipe & Drum units from across the U.S. will participate in this national remembrance.

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.