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Virginia 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 six firefighters, who died in the line of duty, from Virginia 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 Dennis Lynn Brent, age 56, of the Charlottesville Fire Department, died on December 1, 2018, of pancreatic cancer deemed to be related to his 17-year career as a firefighter.

Lieutenant Bradford T. Clark, age 43, of the Hanover County Fire and EMS, died on October 11, 2018, from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident while responding to a two-vehicle crash when a tractor trailer traveling southbound struck the engine in the rear.

Lieutenant James P. Kegley, Jr., age 48, of the Hanover County Fire and EMS, died on January 11, 2018, from Chronic Obstructive/Restrictive Lung Disease that was deemed by the Commonwealth of Virginia to be a line-of-duty death, related to his career as a firefighter.

Firefighter William H. Moore, IV, age 48, of the Amelia Courthouse Volunteer Fire Department, died on June 14, 2018, after suffering a fatal heart attack while participating in a department training exercise.

Captain Anthony R. Whetzel, age 33, of the Rockingham County Fire and Rescue, died on September 15, 2018, from colon cancer that was deemed by the Commonwealth of Virginia to be an LODD, related to his career as a firefighter.

Firefighter Herbert T. Wilcox, age 77, of the Rocky Mount Fire Department, died on April 19, 2018, after being found unresponsive at his residence within 24 hours of responding to multiple calls.

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.