

TEXAS VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S MONUMENT

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A complete and accurate listing of those Texan volunteers who have lost their lives fighting fires is provided below.

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Texas City Disaster
April 16, 1947

Chief Henry J. Baumgartner

C. J. Wood	W.D. Westmoreland
J.P. Jolly	Marcel Pentycuff
J.M. Braddy	E.H. Henricksen
C.R. Vestal	J.D. Reddicks
R.L. Durio	W.C. O'Sullivan
W.L. Kaiser	Otto Meadows
R.D. Smith	J.C. Stafford
S.B. Nunez	M.B. Stafford
A.B. Emsoff	Fred Hughes
H.A. Menge	Zolan Davis
M.R. Neeley	W.C. Johnson
V.O. Fereday	H.C. Findeisen
Lloyd Cain	W.D. Pentycuff

Chief Harry D. Blissard	Mansfield	8-1-68
Shirley Clyde Copeland	Mansfield	8-2-68
Melvin Nolte Sr.	New Braunfels	5-12-72
Carl Richard Maxwell	Monahans	6-9-61
G.B. 'Sonny' McGee	McKinney	7-31-62
James Ward Mitchell	Monahans	4-5-68
Jack Aldridge	Vidor	9-14-69
LT. Robert Wayne Bufe	Colleyville	3-23-76
H.B. Toney	Huntsville	3-14-77
Chief R.G. 'Dick' Willis	H.B.V.F.D.	7-10-78
Herman Richard Tidwell	Waxahachie	1-8-33
Henry Townsend	Rule	11-27-33
Marvin B. Ridgway	T.C.F.C.	3-10-84

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IN MEMORY OF

EUGENE T. DEATS, Sr. Foreman of Colorado Fire Company No. 2. of Austin Tex who lost his life in service at Blind Institute fire Nov. 9, 1877.

BERT STRICKLAND of Cisco Fire Dept., Cisco, Texas.

FRED J. FERRIS, Ennis, Texas, Born Oct. 25, 1885 - Died Sept. 4, 1910 from injuries received in the discharge of his duties as volunteer fireman.

JOSEPH J. TURPIN, May 16, 1881 - June 22, 1911, Hose Company No. 1, Denton, Texas.

EARNEST J. BUSHEY, Sept. 27, 1894-June 22, 1911, Combination Company No. 1, Denton, Texas.

FLOYD WM. ACEBO, Aug. 18, 1894-Feb.18, 1914, Pioneer Fire Company No. 1, Corpus Christi, Texas.

TOM E. QUINN, July 24, 1887-April 22, 1915, North Austin Company No. 6, Austin, Texas.

W.O. Ledbetter	Childress	11-5-20
J.W. Carter	Comanche	6-24-24
Henry Paddleford	Coleman	3-14-25
Clem S. Streckfus	Mercedes	12-29-26
J.E. Butler	Sabinal	3-29-27

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN
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Geo A. Koonce	Lorenzo	7-16-27
W.D. McCulley	Brownwood	6-25-28
K.W. Anderson	Commerce	11-27-28
J.N. Bryan	Lubbock	1-9-29
August Barrow	Gonzales	6-28-30
Jesse C. Reagan	Perrytown	9-24-30
Felix Bauer	Robstown	
Lowell Read	Deport	
K.C. Swadley	Grand Prairie	
A.C. Talley	Gainesville	
Geo. Runnion	Kilgore	
Major Talley	Kilgore	
Arnold Spacek	La Grange	
Louis Wolff	Lockhart	
W. Wozencraft	Merkel	
Ernest Alves	New Braunfels	
Clyde Landers	Plano	
J.W. Hooper	Rockdale	
J.W. Williams	Rockdale	
Edward A. Poston	Gatesville	
Jim C. Cousineau	Brownfield	12-22-58
Wayland I. Parker	Brownfield	12-22-58

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**DUMAS-SUNRAY DISASTER
JULY 29, 1956
DUMAS**

Ollen W. Cleveland	Billy Joe Dunn
Sam A. Gibson, Jr.	Albert O. Milligan
Paschal Pool	Meryl W. Slagle
Donald W. Thompson	
SUNRAY	
Chief Ray Biles	Lewis A. Broxson
Gilford R. Corse	Claude Emmett
Alvin Freeman	D.C. Lilley
James L. Rivers	Virgil W. Thomas
1896	
Roy L. Goin, Clyde, 1974	J.N. Wells, Luling, 1933
Ira R. Akers, Clyde, 1974	Larry Stephens, Joshua, 1984
Marc K. Gilmore, Clyde, 1974	Michael F. West, Spring, 1985
Charles W. Rose, Clyde, 1974	Don Hilliard, Slocum, 1997
Jeffery Osmun, Crowley, 1992	Steve A. Tippens, Etoile, 1998
Clifford R. Harris, Rusk, 1994	Brian Collins, River Oaks, 1999
Earl Virgin, Jr., Iowa Park, 1968	Phillip Dean, River Oaks, 1999
James A. Warwick, Burnet, 1996	Garry Sanders, Sansom Pk, 1999
Walter Gass, Sealy, 2000	Wm. McGinnis III, Surfside, 1996
James Dunham, Saint Jo, 1999	James Hill, Daingerfield, 2000
Bert Bruecher, Pleak, 1999	David Butler, Idalou, 2000
B.C. Hamilton, So. Oaks, 1998	Albert Voris, Jr., Combine, 2000
Vandell Weathers, Cisco, 1987	James Renfroe, Dallas Co., 2000
David R. Butler, Spr. Branch, 2001	Donald Deussen, Justin, 1962
Jack Maxey, Chilton, 1994	Roger M. Dunn, Clute, 2002
Charles L. Mathew, LaBelle-Fannett, 2003	Gary L. Staley, Porter, 2003
James Taylor, Blossom, 2003	Stephen McGregor, Baird, 2003
Patrick McKinney, Colorado City, 1998	Charles Flowers, Sr., New Caney, 2003
Gary Don Fox, Bluegrove, 2004	Chad Wessels, Briggs, 2005
Bobby Boyles, Jr., Crosby, 1981	James McMorries, Howardwick, 2006
Clint Rice, Carlton, 2005	William Simes, Giddings, 2007
Elmer Homilius, Comfort, 1984	Robert Knight, Teague, 2008
Kevin Williams, Nooday, 2007	Joe Jordan, Pickton Pine Forest, 2008
Austin Cheek, Nooday, 2007	Thomas Araguz III, Wharton, 2010

MONUMENT EXPANSION
Southeast Quadrant - Panel 1 - Column A

CHARLES "TED" RICHARDSON • ALVARADO • 1986
GREGORY SIMMONS • EASTLAND • 2011
ELIAS JAQUEZ • CACTUS • 2011
LARRY NELSON • VAL VERDE COUNTY • 2011
MATT WALLER • MEMPHIS • 2012
MARK SHEPARD • ROSEHILL • 2012
WILLIAM "DICK" DANES • BRAZOS COUNTY PRECINCT 3 • 2012
NEAL SMITH • ATASCOCITA • 2012
JALEN SMITH • JACKSON HEIGHTS • 2012
DAVID FOX • BLUEBONNET • 2013
DONALD MIZE • LEAGUE CITY • 2013
JERRY DANE CHAPMAN • ABBOTT • 2013
CYRUS REED • ABBOTT • 2013
KEVIN SANDERS • BRUCEVILLE-EDDY • 2013
PERRY CALVIN • NAVARRO MILLS • 2013
MORRIS BRIDGES • WEST • 2013
CODY DRAGOO • WEST • 2013
JOSEPH PUSTEJOVSKY • WEST • 2013
DOUGLAS SNOKHOUS • WEST • 2013
ROBERT SNOKHOUS • WEST • 2013
HUGH FERGUSON • DAMON • 2014

MONUMENT EXPANSION
Southeast Quadrant - Panel 1 - Column B

JOHN SANDERS • SNYDER • 1966
MARCUS KING • CLAUDE • 1995
JARED WRIGHT • CLAUDE • 1995
LARRY O'NEIL • LONE CAMP • 2015
RICHARD CANO • CY-FAIR • 2015
STACEY CRAWFORD • NAVARRO COUNTY • 2015
JOHN KENDALL REYNOLDS • BUFFALO • 2016
COBY SLAUGHTER • WINK • 2016
TRAVIS WIENS • WICHITA WEST • 2002
JARRELL HINKIE • SILSBEE • 2017
DARYL BARBER • BRAZORIA • 2017
CHARLES PATTERSON • BOWIE RURAL • 2017
M. V. HUDSON • NEW LONDON • 2018
LARRY MARUSIK • ELLINGER • 2018
FRANKIE R. PARTIDA, JR. • GLEN FLORA • 2018