IN MEMORIAM

On April 13, 2013 the Town of Brookfield Police Department (WI) lost one of its own - Officer Donald E Bishop. Officer Bishop was 32 years old, and died while on duty of a massive heart attack while responding to a report of a burglary in progress call.

In addition to serving the Town of Brookfield Police Department, Officer Bishop had proudly served the Village of North Prairie as a Firefighter/EMT, as well as being a Dispatcher for the Waukesha County Communications Center and the City of Oconomowoc Police Department. Officer Bishop served as a Reserve Police Officer with the Village of Mukwonago Police Department, a part time Police Officer with the Village of Eagle Police Department, and proudly accepted his position as a full time Police Officer at the Town of Brookfield in August of 2011.

In his free time Officer Bishop enjoyed installing and repairing the crucial electronics utilized in telecommunications. As a result of his extensive background and knowledge he was frequently sought out by administrators of numerous agencies.

Officer Bishop graduated from Mukwonago High School and from Waukesha Technical College where he had received his training in Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and as an Emergency Medical Technician.

Officer Bishop was a dedicated police officer and public safety professional serving the citizens of the Town of Brookfield and the residents of Waukesha County for more than 10 years. He will truly be missed as a member of our police family and always remembered for his infectious smile and eagerness to take on every demand of each of his disciplines.

In May of 2014 Officer Bishop’s name was added to the wall at the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington D.C. That same month Officer Bishop’s name was added to the wall at the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Memorial on the site of the Capitol grounds in Madison, WI. Ceremonies were held where Officer Bishop was honored for his service. In Washington D.C. the Fraternal Order of Police presented the Bishop family with the Medal of Honor as a tribute to the service that Officer Bishop gave serving in the line of duty. The Medal of Honor is the highest award given by the FOP.

Officer Bishop remains the only Town of Brookfield Police Officer ever to die in the line of duty.