

Serving firefighters, their families and their communities

APPLICATION FOR SUBMISSION OF NAME TO MEMORIAL WALL

In the heart of Sacramento's Capitol Park stands a tribute – one that immortalizes the extraordinary commitment and uncommon courage of the members of the fire service. Built of bronze and limestone, the California Firefighters Memorial honors the spirit of those who put their lives on the line each day. The Memorial was formally unveiled on April 6, 2002, and since then, state elected officials and other dignitaries, as well as hundreds of family members of fallen firefighters have traveled to Capitol Park to honor their lost loved ones. In a solemn ceremony each year, additional fallen firefighter names are added to the Memorial Wall. In the interest of preserving the ultimate sacrifices, honor and integrity made by California's bravest, criteria were developed for the Memorial Wall.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications must be completed and sponsored by a recognized firefighters' association or union representative, or fire department administration representative. This representative will serve as point of contact for the California Fire Foundation throughout the submission process. The point of contact is also expected to be in regular communication with Foundation staff on matters related to the Memorial.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year and reviewed at an annual meeting of the Foundation Board of Directors each spring. See **cafirefoundation.org/memorial** for specific deadlines.

In addition to all the fields listed on the following pages, each submitted application must include one of the following documents for verification of eligibility:

- 1. A letter from the Fire Chief (<u>view/download template letter</u>) stating the death was job-related
- 2. Proof of workers' compensation (or other documentation) showing that the death was occupationally related.

The board of directors will only review completed applications with all relevant fields and documentation. Please gather and submit all materials together.

Once applications are reviewed, the Contact Person, Next of Kin, Fire Chief and Union President will all receive communication from the California Fire Foundation about next steps. Please visit <u>cafirefoundation.org/memorial</u> for application deadline and ceremony information.

* Prior to submitting this application, please ensure that the Next of Kin listed on the application is aware that the Foundation will be contacting them with information about the ceremony. Applications without Next of Kin information will not be considered complete. Additionally, please provide the California Fire Foundation with the most current, appropriate next of kin contact information.

Please fill out the following page and return via email to: cafirefoundation@cpf.org

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If you are a family member and are unsure of who to contact to serve as a sponsor for your application, please call the California Fire Foundation at 1.800.890.3213 for assistance.

FALLEN FIREFIGHTER INFORMATION Date of Application: Firefighter's full name (as it should appear on the Memorial Wall). The Foundation is unable to list full middle names due to space limitations. A middle initial can be included if preferred: First Name Middle Initial Last Name Phonetic pronunciation of name: Rank: _____ Status: 🖵 Active 🖵 Retired 🖵 Volunteer Department (at time of death): Local: Sex: Male Female Other Date of Death: _____ Cause of Death: _____ Date of diagnosis if death was due to job-related illness (e.g. cancer, heart disease, PTSD): Does this Firefighter have any family already on the Memorial Wall? \square Yes \square No If yes, please state name: Photo: Every year, the California Fire Foundation publishes a California Firefighters Memorial Booklet. Inside the booklet we list the names of those going on the wall along with a photo. A nice headshot with high resolution is preferred. Please attach it as a jpg if submitting via email. Physical photos accepted by mail as well. Biography: The biography should be submitted in a bullet point layout with the following information: • One sentence on what got them interested in the firefighter profession or highlighting their fire service career. • One sentence detailing any commendations (if received) and/or indicating if they were members of any special teams. • One sentence about personal interests or hobbies. **LEADERSHIP INFORMATION** _____ E-mail: _____ Phone #: _____ Mailing Address: _____ Union President or Assoc. Officer Name: ______ E-mail: _____ _____ Mailing Address: _____ Administrative Contact E-mail: Phone #: **FAMILY INFORMATION** Next of Kin Name: ______ Relationship to fallen firefighter: _____ Phone #: Mailing Address: Child name: ____ _____ DOB: _____ Caregiver: _____ DOB: _____Caregiver: Child name: _____ DOB: _____ Caregiver: _____ Child name: ______ Caregiver: _______ Special Family Circumstances: ______