MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE COMMEMORATES SHERIFFS’ WEEK 
IN NEW YORK STATE HONORING THE FALLEN 

September 18 – 24, 2022

Rochester, NY (September 21, 2022) – The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office joins sheriffs’ offices throughout New York State in commemorating Sheriffs’ Week September 18 – 24, 2022. The week highlights the service and contributions of county sheriffs across the state, honoring the dedication of the Office of Sheriff in county government and in the statewide criminal justice system as well as a show of appreciation for the men and women who choose public service to our communities. The week also pays tribute to those sheriffs and sheriff’s deputies who have died in the line of duty.

In New York State, the Office of Sheriff was provided for in the state’s first constitution in 1777, and has existed as a continuous protector of the public good ever since. The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office was formed in 1821 with the appointment of Brockport merchant James Seymour as the first Sheriff. Sheriff Todd K. Baxter currently serves as the 49th Sheriff of Monroe County.

Sheriffs are the only law enforcement officials in the state to be directly elected by their constituents. As elected officials, they are directly accountable to the people of the community in which they serve. The Sheriff is the highest ranking law enforcement officer in the county. The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office has five bureaus, to include, Road Patrol, Jail, Court, Civil, and Staff Services.

As we proudly mark this annual occasion, we remain grateful to the men and women, both sworn and professional staff, who serve and protect our community while living our core values of Respect, Integrity, Teamwork and Excellence.

We especially honor our fallen; those sheriffs and sheriff’s deputies who died in the line of duty, with a Wreath Laying Ceremony today.

“It is important to pause to remember the sacrifices of those who died while serving our community; lest we forget,” said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. “In doing so, we also celebrate the milestones of the Monroe County Sheriff’s Office and the men and women who choose a life of public service. Thank you for your commitment and dedication every day. You are appreciated.”
In Memoriam:

Deputy Sheriff  Simon J. Bermingham  End of Watch 01/10/12
Special Deputy  C. Fred Sova  End of Watch 09/08/31
Special Deputy  Joseph G. Munz  End of Watch 02/26/32
Deputy Sheriff  William Marshall  End of Watch 04/03/46
Deputy Sheriff  James I. Conheady  End of Watch 03/25/47
Deputy Sheriff  John Pullano  End of Watch 05/16/57
Undersheriff  George A. Conway  End of Watch 08/13/65
Deputy Sheriff  Francis E. Dombrowski  End of Watch 02/06/70
Deputy Sheriff  Sergeant Robert M. Skelton, Jr.  End of Watch 06/23/72
Deputy Sheriff  Sergeant Peter J. Rotolo  End of Watch 09/20/74
Deputy Sheriff  Corporal Catherine M. Crawford  End of Watch 03/05/95

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