



Office of the Sheriff

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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMEMORATES 'SHERIFFS WEEK' IN NEW YORK STATE *September 23 – 27, 2019*

Rochester, NY (September 23, 2019) – The Monroe County Sheriff's Office joins sheriffs throughout New York State in commemorating **Sheriffs Week** September 23 – 27, 2019, as declared by New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo. 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. It 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, and in many counties throughout New York State, is also the principal source of police protection. The Monroe County Sheriff's Office has five bureaus, to include, Road Patrol, Jail, Court, Civil, and Staff Services.

In recognition of Sheriff's Week, the MCSO also honored its fallen; those sheriffs and sheriff's deputies who died in the line of duty, with a Wreath Laying Ceremony on **Monday, September 23, 2019 at Sheriff's headquarters, located at 130 S. Plymouth Ave., Rochester.**



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“While this week is marked each year to celebrate the successes of the Monroe County Sheriff’s Office and sheriffs’ offices throughout our fine state, we also bow our heads and remember those who came before us and lost their lives while on the job, serving our community,” **said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.** “Their dedication and commitment to the Office of Sheriff shall never be forgotten.”

The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office will also hold its annual Awards Luncheon on **Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at Shadow Lake Golf and Racquet Club, Penfield.** The Sheriff’s Awards program was designed to recognize Sheriff’s deputies and civilians for outstanding acts of bravery or heroism, outstanding accomplishments and exceptional performance.

In Memoriam:

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

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