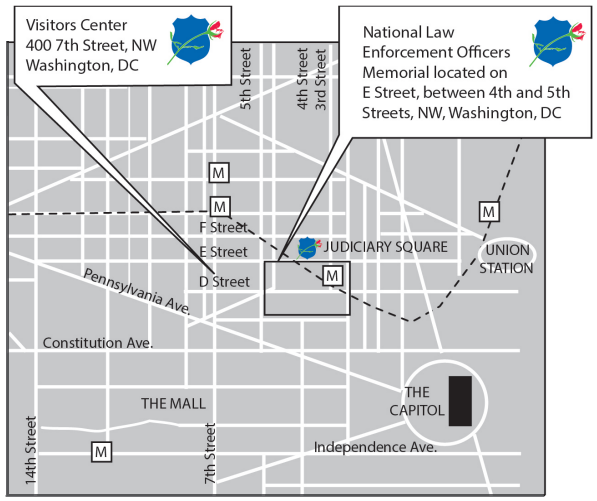
Visitors Center & Store

Located just three blocks from the Memorial, the Visitors Center & Store features law enforcement exhibits and an assortment of Memorial Fund merchandise. The Visitors Center & Store also hosts an interactive video system that allows visitors to learn more about America's law enforcement heroes whose names are inscribed on the Memorial walls. Shop online at www.ShopLawMemorial.org. All purchases support the vital work of the Memorial Fund.

National Law Enforcement Museum

The Memorial honors centuries of law enforcement service and sacrifice. But Americans continue to ask, "What is the story behind each name engraved on these walls?" To answer this question, the U.S. Congress and President Clinton authorized the establishment of the first-ever National Law Enforcement Museum in 2000, being built adjacent to the Memorial. Visitors to the Museum will be treated to a high-tech, interactive glimpse behind the badge, plus a fascinating lesson in the history of this noble profession. Discover how you can support this unique endeavor at www.LawEnforcementMuseum.org.

Directions to the Memorial



- The Memorial is open to the public year-round, 24 hours a day.
- How to get there: Take Metro's (subway) Red Line to the Judiciary Square Station, F Street exit. The Memorial is directly above the station. Limited street parking.
- Free guided group tours of the Memorial are available. Please call 202.737.3400 at least one week in advance to schedule a tour.
- For a virtual tour: www.heroesliveforever.com.

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The Memorial

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is the nation's monument to federal, state and local law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the safety and protection of our nation and its people.

The Memorial features two curving, 304-foot-long blue-gray marble walls. Carved on these walls are the names of more than 20,000 officers who have been killed in the line of duty throughout U.S. history, dating back to the first known death in 1791. Unlike many other monuments, this Memorial is ever-changing: new names of fallen officers are added to its walls each spring, in conjunction with National Police Week.

A number of commemorative ceremonies are held at the Memorial each year, and the site is visited by nearly a quarter million people annually. The Memorial's beauty and tranquility make it a special place for reflection, contemplation or just a quiet moment away from the hustle and bustle of city life.

1984
President Reagan signed P.L. 98534, authorizing the establishment of a Memorial in Washington, DC to honor law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

1991
Dedication of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

1994
President Clinton signed P.L. 103-322 designating Peace Officers Memorial Day—May 15th—as a day during which U.S. flags are required to be flown at half-staff.

1996
Officer of the Month Award Program was created to recognize "living legends" of the profession.

2001
September 11, 2001—Deadliest Day in Law Enforcement History. 72 officers were killed as a result of the terrorist attacks on America.

2010
The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund formally broke ground on the National Law Enforcement Museum.

2016
25th Anniversary of the dedication of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

About the Memorial Fund

The mission of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is to tell the story of American law enforcement and make it safer for those who serve.

Promoting Officer Safety

On average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 61 hours. The Memorial Fund maintains the largest, most comprehensive database of line-of-duty officer deaths, conducts research into officer fatality trends and issues, and serves as an information clearinghouse.

The Memorial Fund also conducts a variety of events and programs each year, such as the Officer of the Month Award Program, which recognizes the "Living Legends" of the profession—officers who distinguish themselves through exemplary service and devotion to duty. As a principal organizer of National Police Week each May, the Memorial hosts over 20,000 people at the Candlelight Vigil, held annually on May 13th to honor all law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Officer of the Month Award

Commemorating the Service

National Police Week

Honoring the Sacrifice

During the Vigil the names of officers who died in the line of duty the previous year, and the names of recently-discovered historic officers, are formally dedicated.

"IT IS NOT HOW THESE OFFICERS DIED THAT MADE THEM HEROES, IT IS HOW THEY LIVED."—*Vivian Eney Cross, Survivor*