

## Fallen Heroes

All Gave Some, Some Gave All Patrolman Lawrence H. McParlin

Patrolman McParlin is the first Charles County Sheriff's officer known to have fallen in the line of duty. On May 12, 1918, a short time after becoming a police officer, Ptm. McParlin and Metropolitan Police Department Officer John Conrad attempted to serve a court summons in Washington, D.C. As they entered the building, the suspect, who was wanted, shot and killed both officers. Patrolman First Class Dennis L. Riley, #49

On January 11, 1977, PFC Riley was killed in a crash at the intersection of Route 228 and U.S. Route 301 in Waldorf. As he waited for a traffic light to change, a tractor-trailer fuel tanker skidded to a stop and overturned on his cruiser, killing him instantly. PFC Riley left a wife and four children. Sergeant Francis & Leo Yates, #40

On June 8, 1988, Sgt. Yates suffered a fatal heart attack as he left the Charles County Courthouse. He left a wife and four children. Sergeant Joseph E. Stine, Jr., #62

On May 12, 1990, Sgt. Stine arrested a disorderly subject and transported the resisting prisoner to the Charles County Detention Center. Sgt. Stine then collapsed and suffered a fatal heart attack. He left a wife, two children and three step-children. Sergeant Timothy C. Minor, #109

On February 12, 1996, Sgt. Minor was killed in a tragic crash. As he was responding to a call near Cobb Island, a vehicle pulled in front of his police motorcycle while he was traveling on Route 257 in Newburg. Sgt. Minor left a wife and two children. Station Clerk Willard C. Keesee, #1123

On January 23, 1998, Mr. Keesee was on-duty at the Indian Head District Station when he suffered a fatal heart attack. He left two sons and a daughter.