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## Jacksonville Association of Refired Fire Fighters

## NEWSLETTER

**625 STOCKTON STREET** 

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**QUOTE OF THE MONTH:** But aloud the praises' and give the victor-crown.

To our noble hearted Firemen, who fear not danger's frown.

## **LAST ALARM:**

Engineer Larry Lee passed away March 28, 2018.



Retired District Chief James Croft Sr passed away May 27, 2018.

Pictured: Retired Fire Fighter's Association, President John Wood presenting the commemorative coin to his wife Margaret. To her right is their son Retired Captain Jim Croft, Secretary Treasurer of Local 122.



Engineer Travis Williams passed away June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. His Memorial Service was officiated by Retired Chaplain Percy Golden of Local 122. The Service was conducted in the IAFF Fire Fighter's Hall on June 11, 2018.

Retired Captain Harry Beckham passed away June 14, 2018. Retired Chaplain Percy Golden also officiated his Funeral and Interment. The Service was held today, June 19, at George H Hewell & Sons Funeral Home. The Chapel was at capacity with an over flow of family and friends to pay their last respects to the Captain. (No one was invited "Outback!")



Pictured: This picture of Captain Harry Beckham and Retired Chief Gary Keys was snapped from a Memorial Video montage displayed during Captain Beckham's Funeral Service.



Retired Engineer Danny Foote is displaying a photo of Captain Harry Beckham. At Captain Beckham's request, he wished to enjoy his last ride in the front seat of Local Engine 122. Danny has driven Local 122 Engine for many deceased JFRD Fire Fighters, over a period of years. A job "Well Done!"



Pictured: Retired Engineer Duke Denson is preparing a display of his decals available for sale, at the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Florida Professional Fire Fighters in Naples, Florida. Duke attends many Union Conventions over the past years, and does quite well in this endeavor. His wife, Barbara accompanies him on many of these excursions.

These next two fire fighters' passing are the most recent, and their services are in the near future.

Engineer Ray Jacobs passed away June 10, 2018. His Funeral Service is scheduled for

June 23, 2018. It will be held at Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home located at 11801 San Jose Blvd 10:00 am.

Engineer Robert Tarkington passed away on June 18, 2018. His Funeral Service is scheduled for Friday, June 22, 2018 at Old Plank Road Baptist Church at 1:00 pm.

## **Members Report:**

Retired Rescue Lieutenant Richard Miller recently had a a pacemaker put in. he is Currently at <u>Life Care 2145 Kingsley Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073</u> for rehab until mid July. Prayers and visits are appreciated.



Pictured: Former Jacksonville RFA President Wayne Doolittle is modeling the new "Class B" Uniform wearing a cool knit pullover shirt with our "Retired Association" Logo on the left side of the shirt. The present Association President John Wood came up with the idea of a Relaxed "Class B" uniform and the ensemble consist of this specific shirt with black trousers and black shoes. Both John Wood and Duke Denson have these shirts available for sale at \$ 30.00 each.

Pictured below: Retired JSO Sgt Warren Treadwell, Widower of Linda Treadwell proudly displays his Memorial Sanctuary



Pictured right:
Seated R to L Former
JFRD FF & President
of the Florida
Professional FF's for
over 25 years Bob
Carver, Local 122
Business Agent Larry
Osborne, and former
Fire Pension Adm.
John Keene. This trio
of individuals was
recognized several
times during the
Convention.



