

Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery

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Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery is proud to host the *Eleventh Annual Fallen Heroes Memorial Service* on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. The ceremony will be held at the Fallen Heroes Monument, just west of the Poplar Avenue entrance to the cemetery.

This year's event will honor Memphis Police Officer Sean Bolton who was killed August 1, 2015 during a traffic stop. **"Our Memorial Park staff is humbled by the sacrifice that Officer Bolton and so many others have made. We also recognize, thank, and pay tribute to all of the heroes that risk their lives every day to ensure the safety of others,"** said Richard L. Williams, General Manager of Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery.

Area mayors, chiefs of police, sheriffs, fire chiefs and other officials are scheduled to attend. Special tribute will be given to family members representing law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency workers who have given their lives for others since the late 1800s.

"We are fortunate to have Mitch Dunn, Chaplain of the Shelby County Sheriff's Office, as our speaker. His brother, Shelby County Sheriff's Deputy Tim Dunn, was killed in a traffic crash while on duty on October 29, 2004," added Mr. Williams.

The *Shelby County Sheriff's Office Pipes and Drums Corps* along with the *Wolf River Pipes & Drum Corps* will join honor guards from various law enforcement agencies and fire departments. Helicopters with the Memphis Police Department, Tennessee Highway Patrol and the Hospital Wing will fly over the cemetery during the event. The Memphis Police Department *Peacemakers* will also sing.

The ceremony is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following the event. For more information, contact Memorial Park Funeral Director Hannah R. Moore at (901) 767-8930.

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