## Fallen Firefighters to be Remembered at Ventura County Memorial

CAMARILLO, Calif. – The fire agencies of Ventura County will honor firefighters who lost their lives in service to our community during the annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial remembrance Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 10 a.m.

"We are fortunate that no new names are being added to the list of the fallen this year," Ventura County Fire Chief Dustin Gardner said. "And we continue to remember all those who gave the ultimate sacrifice while working to keep others safe."

The outdoor ceremony at the Ventura County Government Center recognizes all firefighters who died in the line of duty, whether from traumatic injury or job-related illness. The memorial represents all seven fire agencies serving the county, including Ventura County, Oxnard, Ventura City, Federal Fire, Fillmore City, CAL FIRE and the U.S. Forest Service.

A livestream of the memorial service will be available on our Facebook page at <u>https://www.facebook.com/venturacountyfire/</u>.

Unveiled in 2004, the Ventura County Fallen Firefighter Memorial features a 7-foot granite statue and memorial wall on which the names of fallen firefighters are engraved. There are now 51 names engraved on the Fallen Firefighters Memorial at the Government Center in Ventura.

Reporters and photographers are invited to cover the service. For more information about the Ventura County Fallen Firefighter Memorial, visit <u>vcfd.org/Fallen-Firefighter-Memorial</u> or contact the Public Information Office at (805) 389-9769 or <u>PIOFire@ventura.org</u>.