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New Oklahoma Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

Oklahoma was the first state to build a memorial honoring all law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty in that state. Oklahoma's memorial honors all officers who died in the line of duty both before and after statehood. Almost half of all the Deputy U. S. Marshals killed in the United States to date died in what is now the state of Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Peace Officers Memorial was built on the west grounds of the new Headquarters of the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety and was dedicated on May 15, 1969. Annual Memorial Services have been conducted each May since. Almost 40 years of Oklahoma weather has taken a toll on the flower beds and plaza of the memorial. There is no close parking and no close refuge for those attending the annual outside service during rainy weather. For these and other reasons Oklahoma Law Enforcement Memorial, Inc., (O.L.E.M.), the organization that oversees the memorial and hosts the annual service, is looking for monetary donations and land to build a new state law enforcement memorial and museum. O.L.E.M. is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization with its Board of Directors made up of representatives from eight Oklahoma law enforcement organizations.

To donate or for further information on the Memorial or Oklahoma's fallen law enforcement officers go to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Memorial web site at www.oklemem.com or call (405) 619-2066.