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Washington State Fallen Fire Fighters' Memorial Service

The twenty-fourth annual Washington State Fallen Fire Fighters' Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, October 11, 2009, at 10 a.m. in the Capitol Rotunda in Olympia. The service includes a keynote address by Governor Gregoire, speakers from the fire service, as well as music and traditional fire service observance with bagpipes and an honor guard.

"This year we honor four Washington State fire fighters that made the ultimate sacrifice," says State Fire Marshal Mike Matlick, "Chief Bob Wilson of Jefferson County Fire Districts #2 & #5, Assistant Chief William Dean McLean of Douglas County Fire District #5, Lieutenant Terry Bowen of Skagit County Fire District #11 and Fire Fighter Roger Duke of the Vancouver Fire Department."

The Fallen Fire Fighter Memorial Service is a joint effort by the Washington State Fire Protection Policy Board, Washington State Fire Fighters' Association, Board of Volunteer Fire Fighters, Washington Fire Chiefs, Washington Fire Commissioners Association, Washington Council of Fire Fighters, Thurston County Fire Chiefs Association, the cities of Olympia and Tumwater Fire Departments, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to recognize fire fighters who lost their lives while serving their communities.

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