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Trooper James Saunders Memorial

Trooper James Saunders died on October 7th, 1999 at the age of 31 from gunshot wounds while conducting a traffic stop near the intersection of 28th Avenue and Lewis Street in Pasco, Washington. At the time of his death, Trooper Saunders had served 8 ½ years with the Washington State Patrol as a trooper. Trooper Saunders is the 26th and most recent Washington State Patrol trooper to die in the line of duty.

There will be a memorial ceremony held on October 7th, 2009 to pay tribute to Trooper James Saunders. Members of the media are welcome to attend the memorial ceremony. Details of the memorial ceremony are below:

Date: October 7, 2009
Time: 9:00 pm
Location: 28th Avenue at Lewis Street in Pasco, Washington

Trooper Saunders' survivors include his wife, Billie; daughter, Megan; son, James; sister, Jennifer; and parents, John and Jan Saunders of Wenatchee.

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