



CAROL GILLOOLY AND WILLIAM LAWTON HONORED DURING THE TWELFTH ANNUAL NATIONAL EMS MEMORIAL SERVICE, MAY 29, 2004 AT ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

Dan Hunter, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, David Lowell, Director of Operations and Bill McGovern, Training and Quality Assurance Coordinator represented Hunter's Ambulance Service at this year's National EMS Memorial Service as Carol Gillooly and Bill Lawton were among fourteen new inductees from ten states.

The reverent and moving National EMS Memorial Service is held each spring in Roanoke to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their fellow men and women.

The National EMS Memorial Service is not a single event but rather a series of events spanning three days. These events began on Friday morning with private, scheduled tours for the "To the Rescue" Museum and the "Tree of Life" Memorial, and ended mid-morning Sunday with the conclusion of the Family Breakfast.

Dan, David and Bill were honored to join two of Carol's sons along with her brother, sister, brother-in-law and nieces, as well as Bill's parents and two of his aunts. On Saturday afternoon, Dan, David and Bill joined the families for a tour of the "To The Rescue" Museum and an unveiling of the Tree of Life. Each fallen individual has his or her name inscribed on a bronze oak leaf and added to the tree. The oak leaf has historically been accepted as a symbol of strength, valor, and solid character - all are characteristics shared by both Carol and Bill.

The National EMS Memorial is housed at the "To The Rescue" Museum. The Tree of Life memorializes those who have lost their lives in the unselfish performance of their duties of saving others.

During Saturday night, May 29, 2004, the formal memorial service was held at the First Baptist Church. The Boston EMS Bagpipes led the color guard, which carried state flags of those being honored. David and Bill joined other service representatives in honor guard uniforms and escorted the families to the altar during the service. At the altar, the families were greeted by an honor guard and were saluted. Each family received a medal signifying the eternal memory of their loved one, a U.S. flag that was flown over the Capitol recognizing service to their Country and a white rose representing their undying love.

The service was marked with poignant remarks and songs offered by fellow EMS professionals. A video montage captured the lives of the individuals honored and needless to say, there was not a dry eye in the house for the two-hour service. Both color and honor guards assembled in the street fronting the church as taps was played during a fly over by a local air medical helicopter.

Much of the service has been captured on video and once assembled, will be available for viewing for those attending this year's golf tournament dinner on September 13, 2004.

Although fifteen years has passed since the horrible events that took Carol and Bill from us, for their families this was the correct time and place to honor Carol and Bill with their induction in the National EMS Memorial

The Gillooly and Lawton families were extremely appreciative for Hunter's presence at this very poignant ceremony in which Carol and Bill were honored and remembered.

For additional information, you may access <http://www.nemsms.org/2004.htm>
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