



RALSTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

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INFORMATION RELEASE

To: All Interested Fire Departments, Law Enforcement Agencies and other Public Safety Agencies

From: Tom Negley, Acting Fire Chief

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RE: Updated Information for Funeral of Fire Chief Kyle Ienn

On behalf of the Ralston Fire Department and the family of Chief Ienn, thank you to everyone for their phone calls, emails and contacts in offer of support in so many ways.

Following is all of the information that has now been confirmed to date with Kyle's family members and others for release to all interested persons regarding funeral services.

Please note that at this time we are requesting that fire apparatus not be brought to the funeral or cemetery. We would ask that you plan to arrive in either personal or smaller fire department vehicles. Decisions for this were based on multiple factors but those factors included parking for apparatus at the school and the cemetery, and the weather forecast for potential rain and/or measurable snow for Saturday.

We are requesting all fire department personnel and all persons representing any public service agency to dress in uniform appropriate for the memorial service and the weather. Black mourning ribbons should be worn over badges.

The service will be held this Saturday, February 4th, 2012 at 10:00 am at the Ralston High School, 8989 Park Drive, Ralston, NE. Viewing will take place immediately prior to the service from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Interment will be at Calvary Cemetery, 7710 W. Center Rd., Omaha, NE immediately after the memorial service. A luncheon will be served in the Ralston High School cafeteria after the graveside service. Ralston Fire Department Chaplain Rev. Mike Thomas will lead the memorial service.

Overflow parking that is within walking distance will be east of the high school. Remote parking with shuttle transportation will be available on Park Drive in the City parks east of 84th Street. Please plan to arrive early for time to get into the school.

Incident Command will be utilized. Acting Fire Chief Tom Negley will be the Incident Commander and Public Information Officer. Mark Bonser of the Nebraska Serious Injury & Line of Duty Death Response Team will be Funeral Command. Ralston Fire Department Honor Guard Commander Dave Shively will

serve as Honor Guard Command. Dave's duties include Fire Department or other Honor Guards and all fire department and public safety personnel.

There will be a Sea of Blue by all public safety personnel as the casket and family exit the high school building. Further details on this and other formal commands will be provided prior to or at the high school.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, that contributions be considered to the Ienn Children Education Fund c/o Centris Federal Credit Union, Omaha, Nebraska.

Lodging has been arranged at the Courtyard by Marriott, 12560 Westport Parkway, La Vista, NE, 68128. Phone number is 402-339-4900. Please mention the Ralston Fire Department funeral for a discounted rate. Additional lodging is available next door to the Courtyard at the Embassy Suites, La Vista, NE. Another nearby property is the Hampton Inn, La Vista, NE or there are many other lodging facilities nearby.

In order to try and prepare seating for public safety personnel, I would ask that one (1) representative of your agency send me an email identifying your agency and the number of personnel you expect to attend.

Any changes to the above plans or additional information will be sent as quickly as possible.

You may also check the Ralston Fire Department website at www.ralstonfire.com or the Nebraska Line of Duty Death website at www.NEresponseteam.org for the most current information.

Thank you again for all of your support.

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