

The Connecticut Police Chiefs Law Enforcement Memorial



Jeffrey Casner

Officer

Berlin

Died: 02/02/1985

Officer Jeffrey G. Casner was killed in the line of duty on February 2, 1985. Officer Casner was assisting at an accident scene on the Wilbur Cross Highway. His cruiser was parked in the right hand lane of the two-lane highway with its flashing overhead lights on to protect the accident scene. Officer Casner was standing on the shoulder of the highway between the curb and his cruiser. The operator of a vehicle traveling southbound on the Wilbur Cross Highway in the left lane applied his brakes quickly and pulled into the right lane when the vehicle in front of him began to slow up at the accident scene. The vehicle went into a skid and went around the right side of the cruiser where Officer Casner was standing. The vehicle struck Officer Casner throwing him 58 feet in the air at which point his body struck a tree causing massive head injuries. Officer Casner died a short time later at Yale New Haven Hospital. The result of alcohol breath test conducted on the operator of the vehicle that struck Officer Casner was .154.

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