

The Connecticut Police Chiefs Law Enforcement Memorial



James McNamee
Patrolman
Bristol
Died: 01/16/1930

January 16, 1930, Officer McNamee, 39, was fatally shot at 9:15 PM after approaching what was a stolen car at the Ebbs filling station, corner Stafford Avenue & Washington Street. An occupant of the vehicle shot McNamee from the back seat of the car. Officer McNamee died of a single gunshot wound through the back. Killer John Brophy, 19, of Waterbury was arrested in that town less than 24 hours later, along with others in the vehicle. The manhunt included the help of New Britain, Waterbury, Torrington and Southington Police Departments. Two gunfights ensued before Brophy gave up. Officer McNamee left a mother, 4 brothers and 3 sisters.