The Connecticut Police Chiefs Law Enforcement Memorial



Edward H. Wendland Officer New Haven Died: 05/21/1938

On May 21, 1938 Officer EDWARD H. WENDLAND and several officers responded to St Bernards Cemetery on report of a robbery by two amen. Upon arrival at the scene another officer apprehended a suspect and started to frisk him. The frisk was not completed and the officer put the suspect into the rear of Officer Wendland'' car. As Wendland drove off, the suspect reached into his pocket and pulled out a 32-caliber revolver shooting and hitting Wendland five times. Wendland was rushed to the hospital where he died. The man responsible for the officer's death only served 13 years in prison.