

## Pollock, Cherry

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**From:** Castleman, David  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 12:38 PM  
**To:** Pollock, Cherry  
**Cc:** Holt, Connie  
**Subject:** RE: Fallen JFRD Officer Line of Duty - Walter Flowers

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Due By:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 4:00 PM  
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Good Afternoon Cherry,

Here is the information related to FF Flowers line-of-duty death with JFRD:

Firefighter Walter W. Flowers

Died on Dec. 25, 1968

Firefighter Walter W. Flowers was killed when he was thrown from Engine 13 after it was struck by a Florida East Coast train at an Atlantic Boulevard crossing. Engine 13 was en route to a Southside fire at the time of the accident, and Mr. Flowers had been riding on the tailboard. Three other firefighters were injured in the accident.

Chief Riska is going to take the lead on this since FF Flowers was assigned to Suppression. In addition, I will be transitioning back to the field on April 1 so I feel that its best for Chief Riska to be the POC for JFRD. The signs will most-likely be designated at Fire Station 13. As soon as he has the locations for both signs I will forward you that information.

Thank you,

Chief Castleman

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**Subject:** FW: Fallen JFRD Officer Line of Duty - Walter Flowers

Hi Chief Castleman - please see the attached text regarding a request for a Fallen Officer Honorary Marker for Walter Flowers. Do you have any JFRD records confirming the line of duty?

Thank you!

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**From:** Powers, Keith  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2023 12:04 PM  
**To:** Riska, Steven; Pollock, Cherry  
**Subject:** RE: Walter Flowers Memorial Legislation - Ready for Filing

See below

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**From:** Powers, Keith  
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**Subject:** RE: Walter Flowers Memorial Legislation - Ready for Filing

Cherry,

Please see the hyperlink below. Walter Flowers name is also in the State of Florida Fallen Firefighter Memorial Wall in Ocala.

<https://www.myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm/bfst/florida-fallen-firefighter-memorial#F>

Thanks again,  
Keith

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**Subject:** RE: Walter Flowers Memorial Legislation - Ready for Filing

Hi Chief – I just wanted to give you an update on the attached Walter Flowers Legislation. All affected property owners on Atlantic Blvd. have been notified, and there were no objections. I will finalize and get the attached legislation ready for filing with Legislative Services. Do you have any information regarding the Florida Joint Council of Fire and Emergency Services, the Memorial Wall in Ocala, Ringing of the Bell and Last Guard ritual for Walter Flowers? I included all of this in the attached legislation, but I can delete all of that if you do not have the records. Please let me know.

Thank you!

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**Sent:** Friday, February 24, 2023 8:35 AM  
**To:** Pollock, Cherry <[CPollock@coj.net](mailto:CPollock@coj.net)>  
**Subject:** Walter Flowers Memorial Legislation

Could you please give me an update on the Walter Flowers Memorial Road Sign legislation? Thank you for your assistance.

*Respectfully,*

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