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DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
OFFICE OF FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL



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TO: OFPC Staff
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FROM: Bryant D. Stevens
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SUBJECT: Firefighter Fatality – Funeral Arrangements
James C. Wilber, Assistant Chief
Franklin Volunteer Fire Department, Delaware County

It is with regret that the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Office of Fire Prevention and Control, must announce the death of Assistant Chief James C. Wilber of the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department on February 9, 2014. Assistant Chief suffered an apparent cardiac event while responding to a call.

Line of Duty Death services for Assistant Chief James C. Wilber will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, February 15, 2014, at the Franklin Central School (26 Institute Street, Franklin, NY 13775). There will be no calling hours. There will be a reception following the service at the Franklin Fire Department. Due to outdoor space limitations, it is requested that any Fire Departments wishing to bring apparatus limit it to 1 ton vehicles or smaller. If your Fire Department plans on attending, please contact the Delaware County Emergency Services Office at 607-746-9600.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Assistant Chief Wilber's family and the members of the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department.

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