



ATTORNEY GENERAL STEVE MARSHALL HOLDS 18th ANNUAL ALABAMA LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMIT

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Steve Marshall hosted approximately 800 law enforcement officials from all over the state of Alabama Tuesday during the 18th annual Attorney General’s Law Enforcement Summit. The 2017 summit offered a day of instruction in ongoing and new challenges facing police officers, sheriff’s offices and State law enforcement officials.

Attorney General Marshall began the summit by welcoming law enforcement officers and thanking them for their service and sacrifice to ensure the public’s safety.

“The Attorney General’s Law Enforcement Summit is the largest annual meeting of public safety personnel in Alabama and a tremendous venue to introduce new crime fighting techniques to local police and sheriff’s offices across the state,” said Attorney General Marshall. “Alabamians can be proud of their local law enforcement’s resolve in tackling crime head on and making our communities safer places to live. As Attorney General, I have made it a top priority to support our men and women in uniform by bringing training to them in the field and through events like the summit.”

This year’s conference featured instruction on cybercrime evidence gathering, including presentations from experts from Microsoft; law enforcement response to incidents involving mental illness; and best practices in school safety.

A somber highlight of the day came with the commemoration of fallen officers who lost their lives in the line of duty during the past year. Attorney General Marshall and Chief Deputy Attorney General Clay Crenshaw recognized the sacrifices of the following officers with a presentation of memorial flags and certificates of honor:

Deputy Sheriff Levy Pettway of the Lowndes County Sheriff’s Office was killed in a single vehicle crash on April 10, 2017. At the time of the vehicle crash, Deputy Sheriff Pettway was driving to a local hospital where his wife had just been transported for a medical emergency.

Officer Thomas Lance Price of the Florala Police Department passed away on December 18, 2016. While working late at the police station he suddenly collapsed and died a short time later at a local hospital.

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“We pause to remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for public safety,” observed Attorney General Marshall. “Let us all be encouraged as we remember and honor their legacy of commitment, dedication and service.”

The 2017 Attorney General Law Enforcement Summit was held at Frazer United Methodist Church in Montgomery.