



# ***GRAND PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT***



2018  
ANNUAL  
REPORT

***WE PROTECT AND SERVE***

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# GRAND PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **Mission**

The Grand Prairie Police Department is dedicated to service and partnering with our community to maintain a safe environment with a high quality of life.

## **Values**

**COMMITMENT** To service through community partnerships, innovation and a holistic approach to policing.

**PRIDE** In our appearance, in our professionalism and in safeguarding our community.

**RESPECT** For our profession and for those we serve.

## **Motto**

We Protect and Serve



# CHIEF'S MESSAGE



Sincerely,

Chief Steve Dye

Welcome to the Grand Prairie Police Department's 2018 Annual Report. We hope you find this information helpful and we appreciate your continued support toward delivering the highest level of service to our outstanding city. I am honored to lead such a great team who has dedicated their professional lives to the service of our community so that we may all enjoy a very high quality of life and a safe place to live, work, and play.

In 2018, the continued partnership between GPPD and our community stakeholders led to a historic crime decrease! From 2010 to 2018, major crimes in Grand Prairie have fallen by 47% and dropped 19% from 2017 to 2018. This very significant reduction has now solidified our city as the 7th safest large city in Texas. It is certainly something for us to all be very proud of as GPPD, our engaged citizenry, city management, volunteers, and extremely supportive elected officials have exemplified teamwork to achieve a very notable return on investment. Our Department was at the forefront last year, in the entire nation, in the implementation of an evidence-based policing model, which was a major driver in the aforementioned crime decrease.

Last year in addition to maintaining a very safe community, we expanded our technology footprint through the implementation of Facial Recognition to more effectively identify potential suspects in major crimes and through the evolution of a Real Time Crime Center toward enhanced crime deterrence and prevention. Our ongoing efforts to scan the environment and increase efficiency for our citizens carried on with the reduction of the DWI processing time, leading to increased DWI arrests, and the creation of an Electronic Arraignment Process toward increased efficiency and safety for inmates and employees. Our community programs, in further support of our Community Policing philosophy, continued to thrive as witnessed in our Airbus Blue Red Run and donation of over \$26,000 for the creation of a scholarship for the children of Texas Fallen Officers; inaugural car show fundraiser for Children First; 17th annual MotorCops for Kids Motorcycle Toy Run, which donated another \$20,000 to the Shriners Hospitals for Children; and our Santa Cop distribution of gifts to over 700 needy families at Christmas time. As the number of calls involving mental health assistance increase, GPPD took the innovative step of adding a certified Mental Health Coordinator to our Department. This civilian professional works alongside designated police officers to help those in chronic need of mental health services, and their families, to help avoid moments of crisis. The implementation of the Teacher's PET (Preparedness and Emergency Training) program with GPISD is another example of collaboratively working to keep our children safe. Our volunteer programs excelled, once again, with our Citizens On Patrol program winning the award for Best Large Agency Program in Texas for the fifth time! Our Department has been blessed to continue to attract the best and brightest recruits to serve our citizens as eight officers graduated from GPPD Academy Class #7 in 2018.

I am looking forward to another great year for all of us in 2019 and we continue to be thankful for the community support we experience every day. We, at the Grand Prairie Police Department, will continue to commit ourselves to engaging with our community members and innovating to most effectively serve. As your Chief, you have my continued promise to do our very best to facilitate a superb environment for all who live, visit, and work in Grand Prairie.

# TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Historic Crime Reduction - 7th safest large city in Texas

47% reduction in UCR Part 1 Crimes  
from 2010 to 2018

19% reduction in UCR Part 1 Crimes  
from 2017 to 2018

Airbus Blue Red Run and donation of over \$26,000 for the  
creation of a scholarship for the children of Texas Fallen  
Officers

Implementation of Facial Recognition to help identify more  
major offenders

Implementation of a Real Time Crime Center for enhanced  
crime deterrence and prevention

Creation of a Certified Mental Health Coordinator position  
within GPPD

Implementation of the Teacher's PET (Preparedness and  
Emergency Training) program with GPISD Citizen On Patrol  
Award for Best Large Agency Program in the State (fifth  
time)

Creation of an Electronic Arraignment Process toward  
increased efficiency and safety for inmates and employees

Significant reduction of the DWI processing time leading to  
increased DWI arrests

Evidence-based policing project helping lead to significant  
crime decrease

Midnight Basketball at YMCA

Badges and Books program with Grand Prairie Public  
Library

Annual Hoops for History basketball game with Dalworth  
youth members

Creation of PD2Code and PD2Housing email processes to  
more expeditiously address quality of life issues

Inaugural GPPD Car, Truck, and Bike show benefiting  
Children First Counseling Center

17th Annual MotorCops for Kids Motorcycle Toy Run  
donating \$20,000 to the Shriners Hospitals for Children

Santa Cop program distributing gifts to over 700 needy  
families in Grand Prairie



# POLICE ADMINISTRATION



Steve Dye  
**CHIEF OF POLICE**

972-237-8713



Ronnie Morris  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF**

972-237-8834



Daniel Scesney  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF**

972-237-8911



Christy Martinez  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF**

972-237-8758



Larry Simmons  
**DEPUTY CHIEF**

972-237-8907



Mike Gudgel  
**DEPUTY CHIEF**

972-237-8809

## POLICE DEPARTMENT *2017-2018* BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

**\$40,330,374** Personnel Services

**\$ 2,072,972** Supplies

**\$ 5,381,972** Services

**\$ 373,000** Capital Outlay

**\$ 12,380** Reimbursements

**\$ 207,827** Grant Match

**\$48,353,757** Total Appropriations

## ADMINISTRATIVE *2017-2018* INVESTIGATIONS

**41** Complaints Investigated

**2** Justified Use of Deadly Force

**10** Sustained

**0** Not Sustained

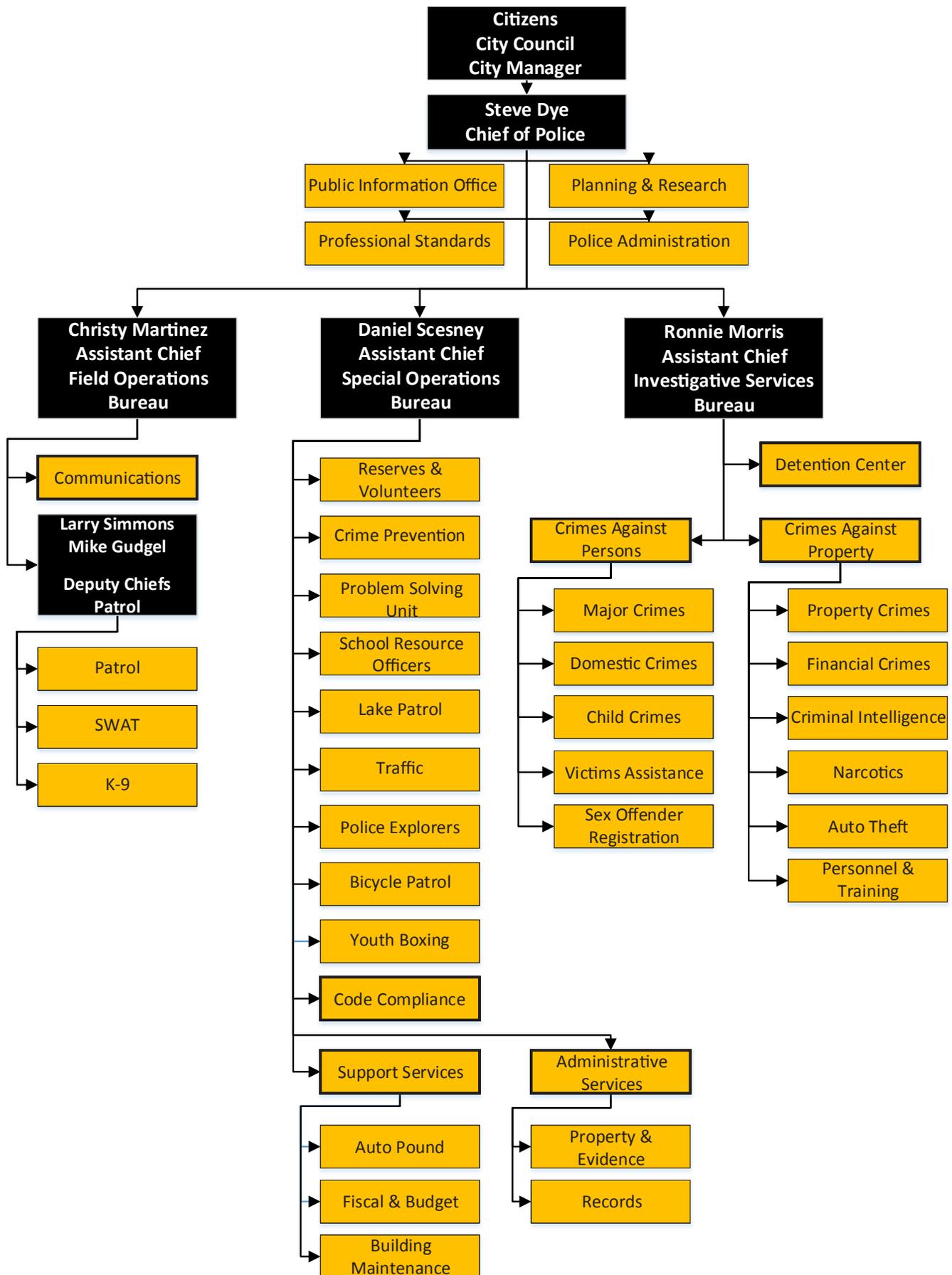
**16** Unfounded

**7** Exonerated

**2** Pending

**6** Closed by other means

# DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION



# PERSONNEL AND RETIREES



## PERSONNEL AND TRAINING

972-237-8690

**8**

Police Officers Hired

**216**

Training Classes

**47**

Non-Sworn Employees Hired

**4744**

Training Hours

**318**

Background Investigations

## RETIREES

Marc Owens

**LIEUTENANT**

25 YEARS

Spence Gates

**OFFICER**

27 YEARS

Wes Bement

**OFFICER**

25 YEARS

Liza Hartman

**COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR**

28 YEARS

Les Brown

**OFFICER**

26 YEARS

Jeff Askin

**OFFICER**

25 YEARS

Kari Pulice

**COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST**

28 YEARS

Byron Olivere

**OFFICER**

25 YEARS

Kirk Garza

**COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST**

21 YEARS

# FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU

## PATROL

**76,641** Citizen-Initiated Calls for Service

**130,116** Officer-Initiated Calls for Service

**206,757** Total Calls for Service

**70,354** Traffic Stops

## K-9

**463** Deployments

**277** Narcotic Finds

**27** K-9 Demonstrations



## PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING FRONT DESK

**9,236**  
Front Desk Calls

**1,229**  
Lobby Calls

## COMMUNICATIONS

972-237-8790

**125,497**  
911 Calls Received

**119,617**  
Non-Emergency Calls

**245,114**  
Total

**91%** Percentage of 911 Calls Answered within 10 Seconds



## SWAT

**72** High Risk Search Warrants Served

**79** Total SWAT Unit Activations

**7** Barricaded Persons Incidents Resolved

**8,640** SWAT Training Hours

**33** SWAT Demonstrations



# INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BUREAU



## DETENTION

972-237-8947

**8,765**

Arrests

**2.11**

Average Stay

## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

972-237-8749

### Major Crimes

**1,332** Cases Assigned for Investigation

**196** Cases Filed

### Auto Theft

**1,095** Cases Assigned for Investigation

**191** Cases Filed

### Property Crimes

**5,160** Cases Assigned for Investigation

**1,142** Cases Filed

### Financial Crimes

**821** Cases Assigned for Investigation

**73** Cases Filed

### Domestic Crimes

**1,605** Cases Assigned for Investigation

**719** Cases Filed

### Other

**634**  
Investigative Search Warrants

**\$7,796,116**  
Value of Property Recovered

## Crime Scene

<b>1014</b>	Crime Scenes Processed
<b>1113</b>	Evidence Items Processed in Crime Scene Lab
<b>46,459</b>	Fingerprint Comparisons
<b>1512</b>	Latent Fingerprints Submitted to AFIS/AFIX Tracker
<b>144</b>	AFIS/AFIX Hits
<b>169</b>	Manual IDs
<b>21</b>	Call Outs

## UCR Part 1 Crimes

<b>10</b>	Murder
<b>129</b>	Rape
<b>132</b>	Robbery
<b>248</b>	Aggravated Assault
<b>480</b>	Burglary
<b>2,955</b>	Theft
<b>500</b>	Auto Theft

## Victim Assistance

972-237-8796

<b>80</b>	Crisis Counseling
<b>2,498</b>	Information/Referrals in Person
<b>949</b>	Justice Support Advocacy
<b>14</b>	Emergency Financial Assistance
<b>1,229</b>	Emergency Legal Assistance
<b>1,716</b>	Assistance Filing Compensation Claims
<b>1,603</b>	Personal Advocacy



## Narcotic Unit

Cases Assigned for Investigation	<b>1623</b>
Cases Filed	<b>1561</b>
Vice/Drug Complaints	<b>196</b>
K-9 Deployments	<b>164</b>
Building/Residential Searches for Narcotics	<b>105</b>
Vehicle Searches for Narcotics	<b>65</b>
Demonstrations	<b>3</b>
Drug Monies K-9 Alerted To	<b>\$343,233.00</b>



## Drug Seizures

<b>110,903.9</b> / grams Marijuana	<b>289,025.95</b> / grams Methamphetamine	<b>\$448,540</b> / grams Assets/Currency Seized
<b>2274.96</b> / grams Heroin	<b>26,384.92</b> / grams Cocaine (Powder & Crack)	<b>\$5,374,043</b> / grams Drugs Seized

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

## PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE

972-237-8861

**21,514** Items Received

**4,416** Items Disposed

**25,930** Items Flowed Through

## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

### TRAFFIC UNIT

#### Crashes

**3,649** Total Collisions Reported

**2,299** Non-Injury Collisions

**1,350** Injury Collisions

**13** Traffic Fatalities  
(11 Crashes)

**931** Hit & Run Collisions

#### Citations

**25,700** Traffic Unit

**9,827** STEP

**23,352** Patrol/Other

**1,376** School Zone Speed Violations

**472** Truck Route Violations

**58,879** Total Citations

### LAKE PATROL UNIT

**411** Boating Contacts

**29** Boaters Assisted

**23** Water Rescues

**525** Land Contacts

**3** Boating Accidents

#### Cases Filed

**408** DWI

**5** DUI - Minor

**2** Intoxication Assault

**0** Intoxication Manslaughter

**71** Other Criminal Traffic Cases

**246** Fail to Leave Identification

**4** Fail to Stop and Render Aid

## RECORDS 972-237-8740

**24,181**  
Reports Entered into RMS

**\$191,660**  
Fees Collected

**8,857**  
Visitors to Lobby

**14,112**  
Open Records Requests

**8,895**  
Arrest Bookings

**795**  
P2C Online Reports

**2,596**  
Crash Reports Purchased  
Online

## AUTO POUND

972-237-4100

**5,866**

Vehicles Impounded

**4,710**

Vehicles Released

**205**

Vehicles Crushed

**\$696,630**

Auction Revenue

## CODE COMPLIANCE 972-237-8296

**15,196**

Code Compliance  
Officer Initiated  
Inspections

**4,264**

Citizen Complaints

**18,195**

Follow Up Inspections

**1,823**

Citations Issued

**143**

Vehicles Towed

**6,730**

Citizen Contacts

**77\*\***

Neighborhood Enrichment  
Team (NET Cases)

**6,177**

Illegal Signs Removed

Inspections reflect Code Compliance, Police Department and Animal Services.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

972-237-8677

**3**

New Crime Watches Organized

**47**

National Night Out Attendees

**143**

Child ID Kits Distributed

**8**

Nuisance Abatement Investigations

**70**

Neighborhood Watch Groups/Trainings

**2/47**

Citizen Police Academies / Graduates

**286**

Business Security Surveys

**89**

Residential Security Surveys

**2**

Alcohol Compliance Operations

### Volunteers

**209**

Active Volunteers

**20,287**

Total Hours

**\*\$499,871.68**

Equivalent Value (\$24.64/Hourly)

Source: Independentsector.org



# FALLEN OFFICERS



## WE PROTECT AND SERVE

*It is not how these officers died that made them heroes. It is how they lived.*

### **Sergeant Gregory L. Hunter**



Gregory L. Hunter

**SERGEANT**

END OF WATCH: JUNE 18, 2004

Sergeant Gregory L. Hunter began his law enforcement career with the Grand Prairie Police Department on January 4, 1973. He was the city's first African-American Officer to be commissioned by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. On Friday, June 18, 2004, Sergeant Hunter was mortally wounded while he and Officer Bruce Seix investigated a suspicious vehicle at Walmart. Sergeant Hunter was ambushed by the suspect who opened fire as he emerged from behind a curtain inside his van. Sergeant Hunter is survived by his wife Denise and their daughter Erin.

### **Officer Lyndon F. King**



Lyndon F. King

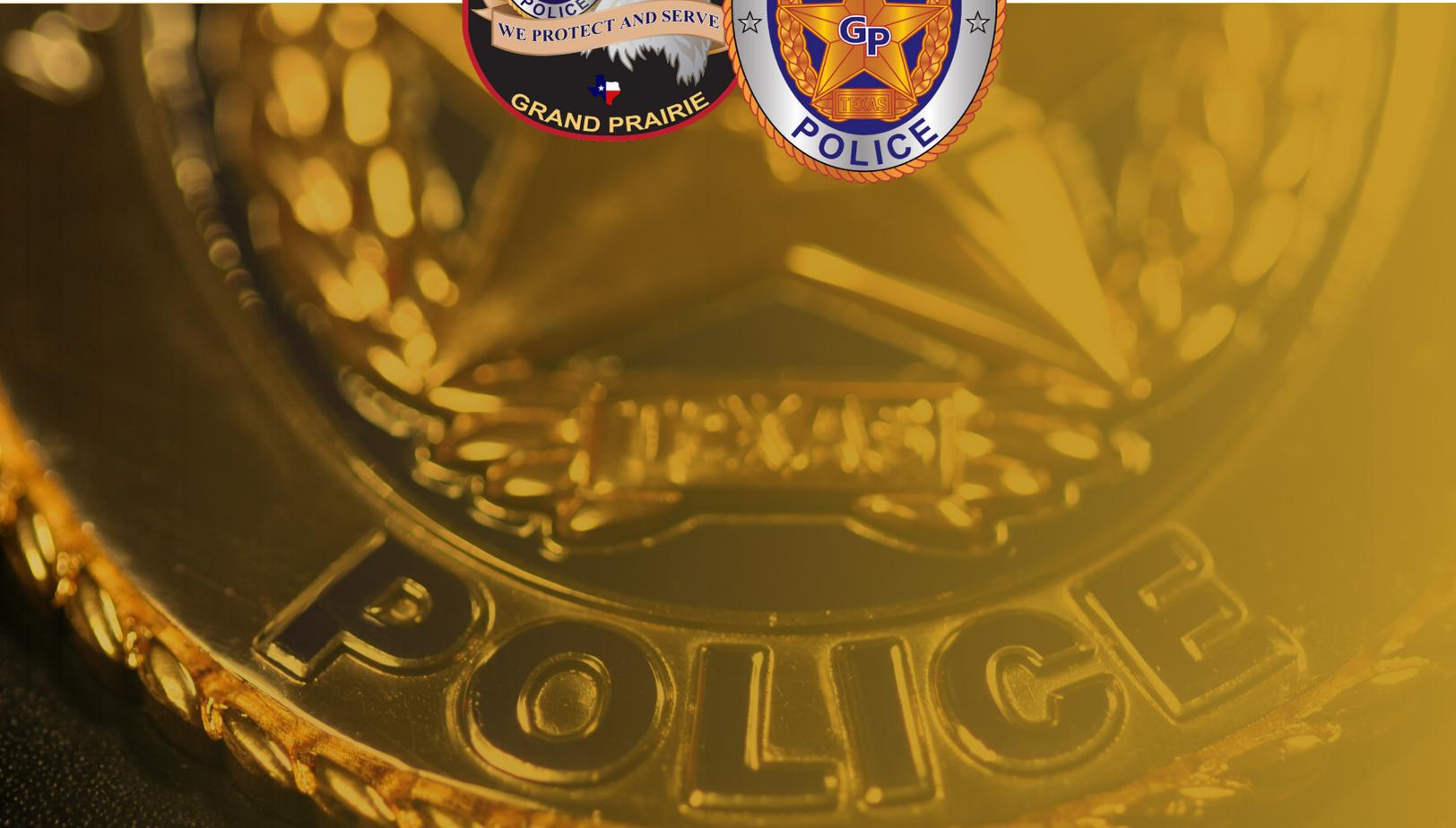
**OFFICER**

END OF WATCH: MARCH 1, 1982

Officer Lyndon F. King began his career as a Reserve Officer in 1973. He became a full time officer on July 7, 1976. On March 1, 1982, he became the first Grand Prairie Police Officer to be killed in the line of duty. Officer King was investigating an accident on Interstate 30 near the N.W. 7th Street overpass. He was killed in an accident when a drunk driver struck his squad car from the rear, sending it into a spin, striking Officer King. Officer King is survived by his wife, Carolyn, and his son, Michael, who was 18 months old at the time of his line of duty death.



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