



April 28th is Workers Memorial Day in the United States

First recognized in Canada in 1984 and officially acknowledged by the US Congress through Joint Resolution 235 in 1989, this day serves as a poignant reminder of the lives lost or altered due to workplace tragedies. It is not just a day of remembrance but also a call to action to enhance health and safety measures in the workplace, aiming to prevent further injuries, illnesses, and deaths. Our motto is clear: Think Safety First, Think Safety Last.

This Sunday, please take a moment to honor all Public Works Employees who have tragically lost their lives while performing their daily duties. We particularly remember those from the New England Chapter who have recently passed, as we reflect on their contributions and the ultimate sacrifices they made.

- 1978: ****Wally Cuhna Jr.** from Lexington MA PW
- 2005: **Peter Brazil** from Lexington MA PW
- 2011: **Michael J Garofano (Father), Michael J Garofano Jr. (Son)** from Rutland VT PW
- 2012: **Carlos Tabares** from New Bedford MA PW
- 2014: **Michael McDaniel Jr.** from Natick MA PW
- 2015: **David Ridzon** from Tolland CT PW
- 2017: **Robert Cabral** from Newton MA PW
- 2017: **Warren Cowles** from Longmeadow MA
- 2017: **David McAdams** from Newton MA PW
- 2017: **Robert Callery** from Boston MA PW
- 2017: **David Fiske** from Plainville MA PW
- 2018: **John Doherty** from Melrose MA PW
- 2018: **Angelo Turano** from Westerly RI PW
- 2019: **Richard Macensky** from Westerly RI PW
- 2020: **Marcos A. Ruiz-Rodriguez** from Lawrence MA PW
- 2021: **Billy Troiano** from Westwood MA PW
- 2023: **Richard Plescia** from Falmouth MA PW

May they rest in peace

If we have missed any employee who died in the line of duty, we apologize. Please let us know the name, year and what department and we will update our records.