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25th Anniversary Memorial Held in Honor of Tarentum Firefighter Mike Sims

Tarentum, PA –Today, the Borough of Tarentum and Highland Hose Company gathered with community members, first responders, and local officials to honor the memory of Firefighter Mike Sims, who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty on November 3, 1999.

Mike Sims was a dedicated firefighter known for his commitment to protecting and serving the Tarentum community. Twenty-five years ago, while responding to an emergency call, he sustained injuries that claimed his life. His legacy of courage and selflessness continues to inspire all who knew him.

“Mike’s dedication and bravery remind us of the daily sacrifices our firefighters make to protect their communities,” said Robert Stoebner, President of Highland Hose Volunteer Fire Company. “Today, we honor his memory and recognize his family, who have shown tremendous strength and resilience over these many years.”

The ceremony included reflections from fellow firefighters and a moment of silence in his memory. The Tarentum Borough Council also expressed its gratitude for first responders everywhere, stating, “We deeply appreciate everything our first responders do and all they put on the line each day, knowing it could be their last. We cannot honor them enough for their bravery and sacrifice, and we are committed to keeping their memory alive in our community.”

The community would like to extend heartfelt recognition to Mike’s family, who remain an enduring part of the Tarentum community.

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