



JOHN F. FREY

October 28, 1967



In the pre-dawn hours of October 28, 1967, Officer John Frey, a member of the Department for 18 months, made a car stop at 7th and Campbell Streets. During the stop he conducted a warrant check. He requested a cover unit and Officer Cliff Heanes arrived at the scene shortly afterward.

They requested that the two occupants of the vehicle, a male and a female, exit the car. The officers separated the two for questioning. While interviewing the two subjects, both officers were shot. While their assailants fled, the officers called for help.

The responding officers found Officer Frey shot in the chest, stomach and leg. Officer Heanes was shot in the chest, knee and arm.

It is believed that Heanes shot and wounded the male suspect, who later showed up at a local hospital with an abdominal wound.

Officer Heanes recovered and returned to duty. Officer Frey died at the scene of the shooting on 7th Street between Campbell and Willow Streets.

Officer Frey was survived by his wife and daughter.