



## ELMER E. NORRGREN

January 15, 1943



Patrolman Elmer E. Norgren, age 38, was assigned to the Department's Traffic Bureau as a motorcycle officer. While issuing a citation to a speeder at Van Buren and MacArthur Blvd, he and the offender made their way to the rear of the stopped vehicle.

While they were talking, a vehicle swerved towards them. Unable to get out of the way, the two men were struck by the wayward vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle suffered minor head wounds. He was arrested and charged with negligent homicide. It was determined that he had been drinking at the time of the collision. A review of his driving record revealed several drunk driving arrests, a hit and run arrest, and a host of other vehicle code violations.

Patrolman Norgren sustained major head injuries and internal trauma. He expired several days later on January 15, 1943, at Merritt Hospital.