

# California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection



## MEDAL OF VALOR ABOVE AND BEYOND

The Medal of Valor is the highest honor bestowed by the State of California. The purpose of this award is to recognize State employees for extraordinary service. Recipients of the Medal of Valor are employees who have performed an extraordinary act of heroism far above and beyond the normal call of duty. They have put their lives at risk to render assistance to save human life or state property – sometimes the lives of civilians and sometimes the lives of their own colleagues. They have demonstrated acts of bravery and shown courage in the face of adversity. These CAL FIRE members have been honored with the Medal of Valor: (Listed Alphabetically)

James F. Allen 2008  
Mort Allen 1998  
Tena G. Anderson 2006  
Dan Angel 1980  
Eric R. Ayers 2008  
Gene Bach 1998  
Denis M. Boren 2003  
Jacklyn Bowes 2007  
Michael L. Brunson 2003  
Corey Call 2008  
Jack E. Campbell 1970  
Louis Cannata 1993  
Paul J. Carlos 2003  
Michael A. Carr 2003  
Raymond Chaney 2006  
William C. Clark 1977  
Bill Clayton 1998 & 2006  
Robert Dashiell 1984  
Kelley DeGifford 2007  
James D. Dougherty 1970  
Vernon L. Dupper 1959  
Ken Eller 1987  
Bill Fisher 1998  
Felipe Gomez 2003  
Robert F. Green 2006  
Wesley D. Grim 2008  
Stephen C. Guarino 2009  
John Guhl 2008  
Joe G. Haggard 1967  
Kenneth Hamilton 1970  
Dave Harden 1984  
Mike Harkness 1998  
Jeffrey M. Hawkins 2003  
Charles M. Heinback, Jr. 1986  
Franklin T. Johnson 2008



David W. Junette 2006  
Thomas J. Kennelly 1959  
Will Krings 2003  
Lynne Lenell 1998  
Ray Richard Little 1974  
Neil Logan 1985  
Timothy Main 2006  
Tom (Harold) Mansur 1996  
Bob Martinez 1996  
William F. Mason 2006  
James F. Mathias 2003  
Thomas McConnel 2006  
Andy McDaniel 1998  
George McGuire 1970  
Eric J. Miller 1993  
Richard (Rick) Moore 2007  
James C. Mower 1970  
Mike Newel 1998  
Sean P. Norman 2003  
Don Norris 1991

Thomas W. Oldag 2003  
Kevin O'Leary 2006  
Flint Oliver 1996  
Ignacio Otero Jr. 2007  
Robert E. Paulus 2001  
John A. Pfeifer 1962  
Gerald Quigley 1970  
James Rajskup 2006  
James Rissmiller 2006  
John Robbins 1984  
Amador Rodriguez 1993  
Ray Russell 1987  
Darryl R. Sanford 2003  
Joe Saunders 2003  
Daniel W. Schott 1983  
Chris Schrowe 1982  
Carl Schwettmann, Jr. 2008  
Joel Semple 1982  
David Shew 2007  
Michael Sifuentes 1995  
John C. Sleppy 1969  
Donald Smith 1994  
William Smith 2007  
Jack Story 1998  
Delbert Tate 1970  
Stephen Vaughn 1983  
Mike Velasquez 1987  
Dan Ward 1984  
Joseph W. Waterman 2006  
James R. Wattenburger 1989  
Patti K. West 2006  
Fredrick Westrip 2006  
Donald Woods 1971  
Jeff Young 2009  
Bryan Zollner 1998