

Deputy Sheriff Suzanne Hopper | Clark County Sheriff's Office



Age: 40

Served 12 years

Died: January 1, 2011

On 1 January 2011, Deputy Hopper was responding to a call about shots being fired at the Enon Beach mobile home park with her partner Sergeant Dustin White. Around 11:35 a.m., while her partner was interviewing the family whose trailer had been shot at, Hopper was shot at very close range while she was attempting to photograph a footprint. The gunman pointed a H & R 12 gauge break-action shotgun from inside his trailer and shot her with no warning. According to Clark County Sheriff Gene Kelly, Hopper "never had the opportunity to return fire or take cover".

A gun battle erupted between the suspect and other responding officers as they attempted to retrieve Hopper's body. According to an eyewitness, one officer attempted desperately to reach Hopper's body: he repeatedly asked over radio if he could get her but was denied because the scene was not secure. The police used a loudspeaker to ask the suspect to surrender himself for several minutes, before returning fire on his trailer and killing him.