Police Officer Harry Clifford Fowler Jr., P392 (1926-2017)

Harry was born November 5, 1926 in Cincinnati, the first of 4 children born to Harry and Grace Fowler, Sr. He attended Woodward High School and graduated during 1946.

After high school, Harry enlisted in the United States Marines on October 2, 1946 and served in an ammunition depot in the South Pacific. With the downsizing of the military after World War II, he was honorably discharged on August 1, 1947.

After military service, he went to work with the United States Post Office and was again laid off due to downsizing of the labor force. He then attended Chase Law School from 1950 to 1951.



Harry joined the Cincinnati Police Division as a Police Recruit on April 15, 1951. He was promoted to Patrolman on July 15, 1971, issued Badge Number 392, and assigned to District 4 (W. 5th Street). Patrolman Fowler spent his entire career in Patrol, also serving in Districts 1 (York Street), 7 (Beecher Street), 3 (Warsaw Avenue), 1 (Lincoln Park Driver), 4 (Vine Street), 6 (Erie Avenue), and 4 (Reading Road). He may be the only Patrolman to serve in all three District 4 stationhouses that have existed since 1894. Patrolman Fowler retired on January 6, 1979 with 28³/₄ years of service to his country and community and several letters of appreciation and/or commendation.

Officer Fowler died on February 3, 2017 at 90¹/₄ years. He was, at the time, the 8^{th} oldest surviving member of the Cincinnati Police Division.

Officer Fowler is survived by his daughter, Lydia Ann Sloan; grandchildren, David Sloan and Daniel Sloan; and siblings, Joan Fowler Harris, Winston (Elaine) Fowler, and John (Barbara) Fowler.

Visitation will be held 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2017 at Renfro Funeral Services, 647 Forest Avenue. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. with Rev. Dr. James Cantrell officiating. Interment will follow on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at the Dayton National Cemetery.