

Police Officer Harry E. Fry, Jr. PO 154 (1941-2017)

Harry was born November 29, 1941 to United State Post Office mail carrier, Harry E. Fry, Sr., and Helen Fry. He attended and graduated from Elder High School.

On September 30, 1961, Harry joined the United States Army Reserve and served as a clerk typist, wire man, and then machinist. Specialist 5th Class Fry was honorably discharged on May 30, 1967.

While serving in the Reserves, Harry worked as apprentice plumber. Due to lack of work, during March 1966 he went to work as an orders clerk at Mutual MFC and Supply Co. Two years later he started a 6-year stint as a machine operator at Cincinnati Milacron.



On October 29, 1972, Harry joined the Cincinnati Police Division in the 58th Recruit Class. He was promoted to Police Officer on February 25, 1973, issued Badge 154, and assigned to District 3 (3201 Warsaw Avenue). A little more than a year later, he was rotated to District 1 (310 Ezzard Charles Drive), where he would serve for the next 29 years. Officer Fry retired at 60½ on May 11, 2002, with 35 years of service to his country and community and 21 Letters of appreciation and/or commendation. Two months before retirement, an Enquirer photographer captured him still walking the beat in Over the Rhine.



Officer Fry and I were partners for a time on Beat 103 in the West End. Later, he worked with me when I was his Sergeant and later his Lieutenant. He was a laid back but steady worker, always in top physical condition, never in need of supervision, and the guy you wanted to show up when you needed help.

After retirement, he went to work as a Security Officer for five years at Cincinnati Insurance Companies. He fully retired when he was diagnosed with cancer.

Officer Fry died December 2, 2017 at the age of 76.

He was predeceased by his siblings, James Frey and Janet Fry. Officer Fry is survived by his wife of 27 years, Irene V. (Renner) Fry; children, Theresa (Thomas) Kostas, Christopher (Tara) Fry, and Timothy (Anda) Fry; grandchildren, Demetri, Niko, Ashton, Wesley, Abigail, Alexis, and Zach; and siblings, Joyce Roell, Bob Fry, and Ted Fry.

Visitation will be held 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday, December 8, 2017 at [Meyer & Geiser Funeral Home](#), 4989 Glenway Avenue with FOP services at 11:45. A funeral service will be held at Noon and interment at St. Joseph (New) Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to [Hospice of Cincinnati](#), P.O. Box 633597, Cincinnati, OH 45263-3597.