## **Lieutenant Damian Kevin Stanton (1955-2018)**

Damian was born June 19, 1955 to William and Rose Stanton and was a Straight A student and assistant play director at Covington Catholic High School.



Damian joined the Florence Police Department during March 1976 and graduated from the police academy in June. He was promoted to Sergeant and, during 1990, graduated from the Southing Police Institute's Supervisor Academy. During January 1994, he was promoted to Lieutenant. Florence Police Chief Tom Gau describes him as "a working machine." Even as a Lieutenant, he was still a cop and in 1996, while on routine patrol, found and secured a serial robber wanted by the FBI. During September 1997, he graduated from the FBI National Academy. During 1999, he took a voluntary reduction back to Sergeant in order to remain in patrol. He retired during September 2000. He then took a Sergeant's position at the Kenton County

Sheriff's Office. He finally retired after 40 years of service to his community about 2006.

Lieutenant Stanton passed away August 20, 2018 at 63.

Damion is survived by his wife of 18 years, Sandra (Luken) Stanton; children, Autumn (James) Ruehl, Katherine (Todd) Spille, and Matthew Stanton; grandchildren, Josiah Ruehl, Damian Ruehl, Winter Ruehl, Hayley Spille, DeDe McGee, and Ignatius McGee; and siblings, Thaddeus (Sue Pennington) Stanton and Terry (Mark) VonBokern.

Visitation will be 5 to 8 p.m. this evening, August 23, 2018 at <u>Linnemann Funeral Homes</u> in Erlanger. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, August 24, 2018 at <u>St. Barbara Catholic Church</u> at 4042 Turkeyfoot Road in Erlanger.

Memorials may be sent to the Officer Down Memorial Fund (https://www.odmp.org/).

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