

Captain Clifford C. Dye (1937-2023)

Cliff was born January 18, 1937 in Cincinnati to Lawrence and Romilda (Miller) Dye. He attended Lemon-Monroe High School where he played football, basketball, and baseball.

Cliff joined the Ohio State Highway Patrol as a Trooper and served less than three years.



On December 12, 1961, Trooper Dye joined the Butler County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff. On December 21, 1964, he arrested a suspicious man who he found was carrying a .32 caliber pistol. The man was later identified as a suspect in the murder of a Springdale service station attendant. By July 1965, he was promoted to Sergeant. He was promoted again, to Lieutenant, within two years. During April 1973, he was promoted to Captain. On September 7, 1976 was placed in charge of the Uniform Division. Captain Dye completed the Basic Police Officer Academy course at D. Russell Lee Vocational School on January 8, 1990 and was appointed Training Officer for the Sheriff's Office on the 19th. On April 10, 1990, Captain Dye was assigned to the Shots Fired Review Board. Captain Dye retired June 29, 1994 after 33 years of service, at which time he was appointed a Special Deputy.

On March 29, 1997, he returned to work as a Corrections Officer in the Resolutions Jail Facility. He resigned that assignment on December 31, 1999 and, on January 3, 2000, took command of the D. Russell Lee Police Academy (also known as Butler Tech).

Captain Dye retired from his Special Deputy commission on October 17, 2003 after almost 42 years of service to the County.

Captain Cliff Dye age 86 of Hamilton passed away Thursday March 30, 2023.

He was predeceased by his son, Timothy Dye. Captain Dye is survived by his children, Clifford Wayne (Kimberly) Dye and Amy Elizabeth (Bud) Spahn; grandchildren, Brittany (Kole) Monebrake and Jacob Paulsen; great granddaughter, Myla Monebrake; and brother Glenn (Anita) Dye.

Visitation will be held 3 to 6 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2023 at the Rolling Hills Baptist Church at 5742 Pleasant Avenue in Fairfield. A funeral service will be held at 6 p.m. with Pastor Daniel Keaton officiating.