

Montgomery Township Officer David Hancock E.O.W. 12/11/1976

Officer Hancock made the ultimate sacrifice on December 11th, 1976. He was shot to death as he investigated a burglary reported through a silent alarm at the J.C. Penny Auto Store, located in Montgomeryville. Officer Hancock was answering the call and was survived by his wife, Mary, who has since passed away. In addition to his mother, he is survived by his son David Hancock Jr., daughter Linda Regan and sister Linda Quirk.

Officer Hancock was born and raised in Gwynedd Valley, the son of Margaret Hancock and the late Edward Hancock. He attended Ambler area schools and graduated from North Wales High School. He lived on Second Avenue, Center Square and served 10 years as the Montgomeryville Township Juvenile Officer. He served both Whitpain and Montgomery Township Police Departments for nineteen years. Officer Hancock was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War, and a member of the Church of the Messiah in Gwynedd, Center Square Fire Company, Colmar Fire Company, The National Rifle Association, National Federation of Police Officers Montgomery County Lodge #13 FOP, Juvenile Advisory Association of Montgomery County, and the Austin-Healy Racing Club. He played on a number of sports teams and his hobbies consisted of working on and restoring old cars, fishing, racing sports cars, and softball.