



**ANNE MCCORMICK SULLIVAN**  
*"PUNKY"*

**Born:** December 4, 1988, in Houston, Texas

**Died:** May 31, 2013, at age 24

**64<sup>th</sup> HFD LODD**

**Entered the Fire Department:** April 11, 2013, Class 2013A

**Assignment:** Firefighter-Fire House No. 68 "A" Shift

**Buried:** Glenwood Cemetery, Section C, Fireman's Plot, Plot 98, West Half

Anne, died along with Matt Renaud, Bobby Bebee and Robert Garner while fighting a fire at the Southwest Inn, 6855 Southwest Freeway at Hornwood Drive. The fire started in the Bhojan Indian Restaurant, which was in the front of the motel complex. Just 15 minutes after crews arrived, the roof collapsed, trapping five firefighters. Before the rescuers were able to reach the firefighters, a second ceiling collapsed, trapping all of the rescuers. They were able to escape the collapse along with Captain Dowling, one of the five trapped firefighters.

Anne graduated on April 11, 2013 from the Val Jahnke Training Facility. She had worked 11 shifts before her death. She was a member of the Community Volunteer Fire Department and the Stafford Volunteer Fire Department.



**THOMAS WILLIAM DILLION**  
*"BILL"*

**Born:** March 25, 1962, in Houston, Texas

**Died:** March 14, 2012, at age 49

**63<sup>rd</sup> HFD LODD**

**Entered the Fire Department:** June 5, 1989, Class 89C

**Assignment:** Senior Captain-Fire House No. 69 "B" Shift

**Buried:** Memorial Oaks Cemetery, Morning Tide, Section 303, Lot 16, Space 5

**Senior Captain Dillion, a 23 year veteran, suffered a heart attack at a fire in the Jadestone Apartments, 7520 Cook Road near Winding Passage Street. After the fire was under control, he began experiencing chest pains and collapsed.**

**Firefighters performed CPR and he was transported to West Houston Medical Center where efforts to revive him failed. At the time of the incident he was working at Fire House 76.**



## **COHNWAY MATTHEW JOHNSON**

**Born:** October 4, 1982, in Austin, Texas

**Died:** May 4, 2009, at age 26

**62<sup>nd</sup> HFD LODD**

**Entered the Fire Department:** April 20, 2009

**Assignment:** Cadet-Val Jahnke Training Facility, Class 2009C

**Buried:** Cook-Walden Capital Parks Cemetery, Pflugerville, Texas, Section H, Lot 1608, Space 3

Cohnway had known from a young age he wanted to be a firefighter. He was following in his Great Uncle's footsteps, a Chief with Austin Fire Department. Before being chosen to join the Houston Fire Department he served with two other departments, the Yoakum Fire Department and TCESD #3 (Oak Hill Fire Department, Austin, Texas). He was a part-time firefighter for TCESD #9 (Westlake Fire Department, Austin, Texas) and TCESD #12 (Manor Fire Department, Manor, Texas).

On the morning of April 29, 2009, Cadet Johnson collapsed during physical training and was transported to Memorial Hermann Hospital in the Medical Center. Five days later he lost his battle for life due to complications of hyperthermia and dehydration.



**JAMES ARTHUR HARLOW SR.**

**Born:** May 18, 1958, in Beeville, Texas

**Died:** April 12, 2009-Easter Sunday, at age 50

**61<sup>st</sup> HFD LODD**

**Entered the Fire Department:** December 27, 1979, Class 79D

**Assignment:** Captain-Fire House No. 26 “B” Shift

**Buried:** Grandview Memorial Park Cemetery, Garden of Prayer, Lot 584, Space 2

Captain Harlow, a 30 year veteran, died with his “Rookie” Firefighter Damion Hobbs in a house fire at 7811 Oak Vista near Poplar Street on Easter morning. Captain Harlow entered the structure with his crew to search for the occupants of the home. Wind driven fire conditions produced a rapid fire growth that forced Harlow and Hobbs to withdraw, they collapsed while attempting to exit. They both were quickly found, however efforts to resuscitate failed.

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, James was a respectable and approachable captain. He had an open door policy and his crew members were always comfortable approaching him. He was a perpetual optimist. He always said in an East Texas accent, “Everything is going to be alright”. At his memorial service, his family was presented the Houston Fire Department’s Medal of Honor, posthumously.



**DAMION JON HOBBS**

**Born:** December 24, 1978, in Galveston, Texas

**Died:** April 12, 2009-Easter Sunday, at age 30

**60<sup>th</sup> HFD LODD**

**Entered the Fire Department:** March 3, 2009, Class 2008C

**Assignment:** Firefighter-Fire House No. 26 "B" Shift

**Buried:** South Park Cemetery, Garden of Eternal Love, Lot 53, Space 5

Damion Hobbs died along with Captain Harlow in a house fire at 7811 Oak Vista near Poplar Street on Easter morning. Engine 26 entered the structure to search for the occupants of the home. Wind driven fire conditions produced a rapid fire growth that forced Harlow and Hobbs to withdraw, they collapsed while attempting to exit. They both were quickly found, however efforts to resuscitate failed.

Hobbs served two tours of duty in Iraq with the United States Army. He was at the Val Jahnke Training Facility as a member of Class 31 2004 when he was deployed the second time. Upon his return he became a member of Class 2008C and graduated March 3, 2009.