



N.Y.P.D. Retires of California

To whom it may concern,

As the president of the FDNY Retirees of California 1013 Club I want to thank you for the memorial you created to honor the police officers lost in New York on 9/11/2001 at the World Trade Center. The Release of Souls Memorial is truly a magnificent tribute to the people that were lost and the public safety personnel that responded to the tragedy.

On September 11, 2001, America as a country, as a people, and as a way of life was attacked. The horrible acts of a few took the lives of many and left the rest of us with an opportunity: An opportunity for us as a people to unite and rise up to our call to save lives. On that day while loved ones were made victims, heroes were born. While the towers burned souls surged. Selfishness fell to sacrifice, fear was met with bravery, and hate died at the hands of love. On that day we as Americans seized our righteousness, and united in hope and determination for our fellow man. Firefighters raced up stairwells, policemen pulled out the injured, while nurses and doctors worked to cheat death one life at a time. Many gave their lives to save people they didn't even know. Thousands united in rescue efforts and millions began to offer their support in countless ways. Our loved ones and our way of life were attacked, and we responded with what makes us Americans—strength, love, and sacrifice.

As time progresses it is easy for us to forget what happened this day.
The Release of Souls Memorial is a medium that will keep this in our minds and hearts.

May we never forget the loved ones that were lost, the heroes who were born, and the love that got America through this trying time. It was an honor to participate in the ceremony and the events that led up to it. We whole heartedly support your efforts.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Linder".

Dan Linder
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