

### **SLMPD Retired Officer Death Benefits and Contact List**

1. Notify the SLMPD Chief's Office of the Retiree's death at 314 444 5624. On weekends leave a voicemail message (If you do not leave a message your call will be forwarded to the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) 314 444 5622.) The Chief's Office will contact Bureau Of Community Policing, 314 444 5654, to have the retiree's last assignment put out the death notification. Tell them that you **request** a death notification be sent out (unless you do not want a notification sent out department wide). The Bureau of Community Policing has the primary responsibility for funeral details when requested by the family of a retiree..
2. The Benefits Section administers the SLMPD Death Benefit of \$3,000, 314 444 5394.
3. The Police Retirement System should be notified at 314 241 0800. Surviving spouse's pension is 40% of the retiree's final average compensation.
4. The Police Funeral Association pays a member's family a \$4,000 death benefit. Police Funeral Association can be contacted at 314 771 0923.
5. If Retiree participated and still has funds in the Deferred Compensation Plan, contact Great West Life & Annuity, 314 241 1334.
6. St Louis Police Leadership Organization pays a \$500 death benefit for dues paying retired members and can be contacted at 314 353 2407.

### **Other Possible Offices or Persons to Contact**

1. If Retiree is a Social Security benefit recipient, report the death by telephone to Social Security, 800 772 1213. There is a \$255 death benefit and possibly a survivor pension.
2. If Retiree is receiving an ERS pension (City civilian, zoo, art museum, etc) contact ERS at 314 622 3560.
3. If Retiree receives a VA disability pension, contact VA at 800-827-1000.
4. If Retiree is a federal civilian retiree contact OPM at 888 767 6738 or 724-794-2005 and select option 6.
5. If Retiree is receiving retired pay from US military, Notify the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) Casualty Care Team at 1-800-321-1080. Should have the retiree's Social Security Number and the date of death when you call. Also notify Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) at 800-538-9552.
6. Contact any other employer, firm, or union pension system that has been paying a benefit to the retiree.