

# THE BLUE LINE

## *In The Line Of Duty*

Sheila Dixon, Mayor  
**Special Edition**

Baltimore, Maryland

Leonard D. Hamm, Police Commissioner

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**IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
DETECTIVE TROY L. CHESLEY, SR.  
NOVEMBER 29, 1972 - JANUARY 9, 2007**

On Tuesday, January 9, 2007, Baltimore City lost one of its finest, and the Baltimore Police Department lost one of its most beloved, when 34 year-old Troy Lamont Chesley, Sr., a devoted father, son and public servant, made the ultimate sacrifice.

Shortly after his tour of duty ended, the 13 year veteran was going to a friend's house in the 4500 block of Fairfax Road in Northwest Baltimore City. As Detective Chesley walked towards the house, he was approached by a gunman who was trying to rob him. During the ensuing gun battle, Detective Chesley was critically injured, though before succumbing to his injuries he was able to return fire and wound his attacker, who was arrested a short time later at St. Agnes Hospital.

Exactly nine years before his death, Detective Chesley received the Baltimore Police Department's Life Saving Award for fearlessly and selflessly leading several people out of a burning building. "T-Roy," as most people called him, was a talented and passionate drug cop who worked tirelessly to make Baltimore, the city of his birth, safer.

In the days following Detective Chesley's tragic death, his family members, friends, and brothers and sisters in the police department recalled his quirky sense of humor, his mild demeanor, and his willingness to do anything to help anyone whom he called a friend.

On the day of Detective Chesley's funeral, New Shiloh Baptist Church was packed to the rafters by mourners paying their final respects. During the service, Police Commissioner Leonard Hamm described Detective Chesley as a young man who had lived well and lived right in the service of others, while Sergeant Steven Ward said Detective Chesley was the ultimate team player and a partner anyone would be proud to have.

Detective Chesley was buried in the Fallen Heroes section of Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens in Timonium.



**We will never forget!**





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## Fallen Hero Remembered



On Friday, March 16, command staff members and members of the Southwestern District unveiled a plaque in the district's roll call room in memory of Sgt. Anthony Byrd, who was killed in the line of duty in May of last year. During the ceremony, Commissioner Hamm spoke of Sgt. Byrd's great talent and dedication as a police officer, and assured Sgt. Byrd's widow that she will forever be a part of the Baltimore police family.



## Graduation Ceremony

Commissioner Leonard Hamm presided over the graduation ceremony for twenty-nine Baltimore Probationary Police Officers on Wednesday, March 21, in the auditorium of the BPD headquarters building.

Congratulations to the graduates. Good luck, and be safe.

### Class 2006-02

Steven Angelini	Clement John
Cornelia Baines	Joshua Kelly
Heleodoro Bravo	Jonathon Mackensen
Emmanuel Cabreja	Evin McGuire
Edwin Caraballo	Krystal Moody
Matthew Chrest	Adriel Nunez
Kyesha Coleman	Luis Nunez
Robert Corso	Rebecca Parsons
Brian Criss	Darias Peele
Matthew Dinnunno	Angel Perrin
Riberto Esteves	Glenn Peters, Jr.
Rafael Feliciano	Michael Petruolo
Shrina Flemming	Thomas Robert
Stacey Gressley	David Simmons, Jr.
Marvin Gross	Antwon Small
Richard Hall	Jeffery West
Terrance Heyward	Domonique Williams
Edgardo Hernandez, Jr.	

## COMSTAT DATA YEAR-TO-DATE CITYWIDE

As of March 24, 2007

<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>-13%</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>-18%</b>
<b>Robberies</b>	<b>-16%</b>
<b>Agg. Assaults</b>	<b>-20%</b>
<b>Homicides</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Shootings</b>	<b>33%</b>

## Police Officer Saves the Day, and Perhaps a Little Girl's Life



Deloris Beverly is a doting grandmother. Her two-year old granddaughter Leila Beverly is the pride and joy of the Beverly family. Family members describe Leila as a delightful child, bright and full of spirit. When Leila's

mother Tessa works nights, her dad and grandmother take care of her.

On December 3 of last year, Leila's father Michael heard a strange noise and rushed to his napping daughter's side. Michael's energetic little girl was limp. Deloris immediately called 911 but, fearing the worst, they rushed outside and got in their car. Deloris drove while Michael nervously tried to revive the lifeless toddler. Deloris said, "I saw the police car and cut in front of him. He must have thought I was a crazy person." Michael Beverly jumped out of the vehicle with his little girl in his arms and handed the child to Sgt. Desmond Carter-Bay. Instantly realizing the



gravity of the situation, Sgt. Carter-Bay began CPR. Deloris Beverly said, "It seemed like forever, you could hear a pin drop." Soon thereafter, the fire department arrived on the scene, grabbed the child and rushed to Sinai Hospital.

Major Keith Tiedemann put the grandmother in his car and followed the ambulance to Sinai Hospital. Deloris Beverly said, "Sgt. Carter-Bay came back all night long checking on my grandbaby. Sgt. Valerie Casey, Det. Diane Savage and Officer Nicole Hill were comforting; they looked so worried for Leila. I'll never forget that, I'll never forget any of those officers. I just wish I knew which one of those officers gave my grandbaby that teddy bear."

Doctors believe Leila had a seizure. Neurologists continue to monitor the toddler's progress and medication manages Leila's condition. Thanks to the quick thinking and quick actions of Sgt. Carter-Bay, Leila appears to have come through the frightening incident just fine. Well done, Sgt. Carter-Bay!

## Headquarters Building To Be Named for Former Commissioner



On March 14, Mayor Sheila Dixon signed into law a bill that calls for the BPD headquarters building to be named in honor of former Commissioner Bishop Robinson, who joined the Department in 1952 and served as commissioner from 1984 to 1987, becoming the first African-American commissioner in Baltimore history. On hand for the bill signing ceremony in the Mayor's ceremonial room were Commissioner Robinson's family members and close friends, as well as several elected officials and community leaders. Commissioner Leonard Hamm described Commissioner Robinson as a man of great

wisdom and character who set a standard of excellence to which every law enforcement officer should aspire. The actual building-naming ceremony is expected to take place sometime this spring.