



# 9<sup>th</sup> Annual USMS Fallen Heroes Honor Run

## March 7, 2025, 0600 hours

This year is the 9<sup>th</sup> year the United States Marshals Service has hosted this nation-wide event.

The USMS Fallen Heroes Honor Run is to memorialize those officers and agents who have sacrificed and lost their lives in the line of duty. The run is approximately 3 miles in length and is conducted in PT gear, wearing a plate carrier vest with agency logo (Police, US Marshal, FBI, ATF, etc.). The American flag is also carried during the run in the front of the formation.

The USMS Fallen Heroes Honor Run was intentionally crafted to bring the entire community together. All USMS personnel, as well as our judicial family, law enforcement agencies/partners, are invited to participate and honor our fallen.

This year's run is dedicated to the memory of

*DUSM Tommy Weeks*

*USMS TFO/Investigator Sam Poloche*

*USMS TFO/Investigator Alden Elliott*

*Independence Police Officer Cody Allen*

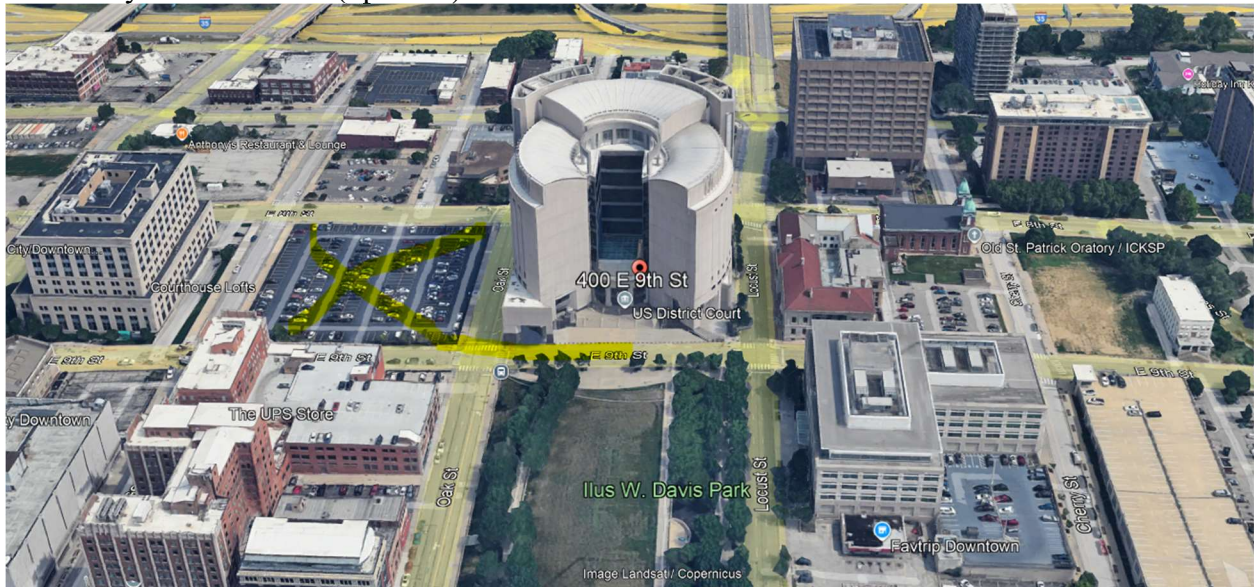


LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE

**PHASE 1: “Assembly”** No Later Than 0545 hours on Friday, March 8, 2024, participants will be on hand for the safety brief at the front of the Federal Courthouse located at 400 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Parking will be in the parking lot to the West.

**GEAR NEEDED:**

- Plate Carrier with Agency ID Patches (Optional)
- PT Gear/Running Shoes
- Warming Layers or Rain Gear (Weather Depending)
- Hydration Source (optional)



**PHASE 2: “The Run”** No Later than 0600 hours on Friday March 7, 2025, the run will begin. The run will be at a **slow group pace**. If anyone gets tired or injured, there will be a fallback vehicle to get into that will be identified at the safety brief. The vehicle will be a USMS vehicle. The course is as follows:

Beginning at the Federal Court House on 9th Street and running to Main Street left turn onto Main Street and continuing. We will run on Main Street to West Perishing. This will put us close to 1.5 miles. This will put us at the National World War 1 Museum. We will take a group photo, say a quick prayer then return to the Courthouse using the same route.

## **ORDER OF MOVEMENT**

Kansas City PD Unit(s)

Main Body (Runners)

USMS Vehicle(s)

Marked Police Unit(s)

Additional Marked Units

**PHASE 3: "Finish Line"** No Later than 0700 hours, participants will finish the run in the Courthouse West side parking lot.

**Run Coordinator**  
**DUSM Timothy Duran**  
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## **CASUALTY PLAN**

**SAFTY VEHICLE:** KCPD Vehicle/USMS Vehicle

**MEDIC:** ACDUSM Matthew Westover

**LEVEL 1 Trauma Center:** University Health Truman Medical Center  
2301 Holmes St. Kansas City, MO.  
Emergency Room: (816) 404-1000

If you or another participant is getting tired during the run, please go back to the safety vehicle (USMS Vehicle). There will also be bottled water in the vehicle.

If a participant is injured, the ACDUSM Westover will provide immediate aid. If the injury is serious enough, the participant will be transported to one of the hospitals listed above by the Kansas City Fire Department

**WEATHER: Rain or Shine, the mission will continue. Please bring appropriate gear for the weather.**

**NOTES:**

The American Flag **will always** be at the front of the formation. If you want an opportunity to carry the American Flag, then come get it. The flag DOES NOT touch the ground.

Wearing a Plate Carrier vest is **optional**. You do not have to wear a one to run.

If you want to participate but don't wish to run, you may drive your cruiser with the emergency lights activated.

I encouraged that everyone to take pictures. If you get good pictures, please send them to my email address or text them too me. Last year we had several great pictures taken. Please send all photos/videos to 816-918-5015 or by email to [Timothy.duran@usdoj.gov](mailto:Timothy.duran@usdoj.gov).

Keeping the photography in mind, if you operate in an **undercover** capacity, try to make sure you face is covered (if you desire.)

Every year some officers choose to carrier their duty/off duty weapons in their vest or in a holster. If you plan to do that, make sure your weapon is secure so it will not fall out of your vest or holster. **Firearms Safety is Paramount!**

It is encouraged that everyone to meet, network, and exchange phone numbers. There will be a lot of experienced law enforcement officers from all areas of specialty running that could always help you in the future.

**THIS IS NOT A RACE**, so don't leave anyone behind

**Deputy U.S. Marshal Josie Lamar Wells**  
**EOW: March 15, 2015**



Deputy U.S. Marshal Josie Wells was shot and killed as he and other members of the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force attempted to serve an arrest warrant on a double-murder suspect at the Elm Grove Motel in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Shots were exchanged as the team attempted to take the man into custody and Deputy Wells was struck. He was transported to a local hospital by another deputy marshal but succumbed to his wounds a short time later. The subject was shot multiple times and died the following day.

Deputy Marshal Wells had served with the United States Marshals Service for four years and was assigned to the Southern District Office in Mississippi. He is survived by his expectant wife, parents, three brothers, and four sisters. His father and three brothers are all law enforcement officers.



On April 29, 2024, Deputy U.S. Marshal Thomas Weeks, Investigator Alden Elliott and Investigator Sam Poloche of the North Carolina Department of Adult Correction, and Police Officer Joshua Eyer of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department were shot and killed while attempting to serve a warrant in the 5500 block of Galway Drive in east Charlotte.

At 1:30 p.m., members of the U.S. Marshals Carolinas Regional Fugitive Task Force attempted to serve a felony warrant for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The wanted subject ambushed them with a high-powered rifle and engaged them in a prolonged gun battle.

Deputy U.S. Marshal Weeks, Investigator Poloche, and Investigator Elliott were killed at the scene. Officer Joshua Eyer succumbed to his wounds several hours later. Three officers from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department and a second Deputy United States Marshal were also wounded.

The wanted subject was shot and killed, and two subjects were taken into custody for questioning.