Delaware State Police Mourns the Line-of-Duty Death of Corporal Grade One Matthew T. “Ty” Snook

It is with profound sadness that the Delaware State Police (DSP) announces the line-of-duty death of **Corporal Grade One Matthew T. “Ty” Snook**, 34, of Hockessin, Delaware, a dedicated 10-year veteran of the Delaware State Police.

On December 23, 2025, Corporal Grade One Snook was fatally shot while working an overtime assignment at the Karen L. Johnson Division of Motor Vehicles on Hessler Boulevard in Wilmington.

Corporal Grade One Snook was hired on March 6, 2015, as a member of the 88th Delaware State Police Recruit Class. Following the successful completion of academy and field training, he was assigned to Troop 6 at Prices Corner. Corporal Grade One Snook served on C-shift throughout his career, where he was known as a dependable, professional, and committed trooper.

A native Delawarean, Ty was a graduate of Saint Mark’s High School and the University of Maryland, where he was a member of the wrestling team. He was a respected colleague, a trusted partner, and a beloved member of both the Delaware State Police and the community he served.

He is survived by his wife and their one-year-old daughter.

Our DSP family extends its deepest condolences to the Snook family. We are forever grateful to them for sharing “Ty” with us and for the sacrifices they made in support of his service to the citizens of Delaware.

Funeral arrangement information will be released when available and in coordination with the family.

With the approval of Ty's family, the DSP is sharing information regarding an official fund established to support his family. Information about the fund can be found at Help Support Corporal Grade One Snook's Family | Help a Hero.