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## **North Metro Fire Remembers Retired Chief and Board Director Dennis Day**

**Broomfield/Northglenn, CO** — North Metro Fire Rescue District said goodbye to retired deputy chief and board member, Dennis D. Day, who passed away on Sunday, May 20. Day served North Metro Fire as a firefighter, chief and director for 43 years and is the namesake for the fire district’s Training Center in Northglenn.

The Denver native began his professional career in the fire service in 1972, becoming a firefighter for North Metro Fire, originally known as the West Adams County Fire Protection District. Prior to being hired by the fire district, he served in the U.S. Army for three years as a sergeant. Day worked his way up within the fire organization, serving as a company officer, training officer and battalion chief. As training officer, he organized and instructed the fire district’s first formal training academy. Day would continue to serve as a respected leader before earning a promotion to deputy fire chief, a position he held for 20 years until his retirement.

“Chief Day was known for setting a high standard of excellence and pushed firefighters to develop their skills and improve their level of service to the community throughout his tenure,” said North Metro Fire Chief David Ramos. “He earned the respect of his colleagues and served with integrity, ensuring our firefighters were prepared to handle any emergency thrown their way. He set a great example for all of us to follow, both as a leader and a friend.”

Day retired in 2007 after 35 years as an active firefighter and deputy chief. The following year, he was elected to serve on the District’s board of directors, which he did for four years. He was then reelected in 2014 as a director and served on the board until retiring on May 15, 2018.

Day fought a hard battle with cancer for several months before he passed away on Sunday at the age of 69. His family requests, in lieu of flowers, that donations be made in his memory to the UC Health Burn Center.

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### **North Metro Fire Rescue District**

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the District now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 117,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams, Weld and Jefferson Counties.