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NPDF ESTABLISHES MEMORIAL FUND FOR
ATF SPECIAL AGENT WILLIAM SHELDON

MORGANVILLE, NJ, MARCH 6, 2015: It is with deepest sadness that the National Police Defense Foundation announces the memorial service for recently passed ATF Special Agent William Sheldon. Special Agent Sheldon was in Washington for business when he passed away on Monday, March 2, 2015 after a courageous battle with cancer. He leaves behind a wife and two children, ages 8 and 5. Our thoughts and prayers are with Agent Sheldon's family during this difficult time.

Special Agent Sheldon was a true American Hero. His distinguished law enforcement career began in 1993 when he went to work as an Immigration Officer for the United States Office of Immigration and Naturalization. On the morning of September 11, 2001, he was on his way to his Queens, NY office when he learned of the terrorist attacks in New York City. He immediately responded to ground zero. While attempting to report to NYC-ATF headquarters at One World Trade Center, the second World Trade Center building collapsed. As millions of tons of dust and debris rained down around him, Special Agent

Sheldon encouraged citizens away from the area. He has been identified and recognized as a 9-11 first responder. In 2014, the 9-11 Commission certified that SA Sheldon's cancer was caused by toxins he breathed in during his response to the attacks.

A visitation will be held at Collison Family Funeral Home, 3806 Howell Branch Rd., Winter Park, FL on Sunday, March 8th from 2-5 PM. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 9th at the St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 5300 Old Howell Branch Rd, Winter Park, FL 32792.

The Sheldon family is requesting that tax deductible donations be made to the Special Agent William Sheldon Memorial Fund, C/O the National Police Defense Foundation wherein 100% of the donations will be given to the family. Therefore, any person who would like to make a tax-deductible donation to this fund may do so by going online line to www.npdf.org, by calling 888-SAFE COP or mailing it to the address noted below.

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