



February 2, 2022: It is with a great amount of sadness that we regret to announce the death of former, longtime Broomfield Chief of Police Tom Deland. Retired Chief Deland passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

“Our hearts are broken at the Police Department and across the city and county today as we work to process this loss,” said current Chief of Police Enea Hempelmann. “Chief Deland’s leadership impacted me personally, and so many of us, and his legacy will remain deeply-rooted in our department for years to come.”

Chief Deland was a member of the Broomfield Police Department for 37 years, 23 of which he was Chief of Police. He led the BPD as it transformed from a small town operation, to a large department serving both the City and County of Broomfield. Chief Deland’s accomplishments were endless.

After his retirement in 2014, Chief Deland continued to be active in the department and the community, most notably in his dedicated service with the Broomfield Rotary. He knew everyone and everyone knew him. To say he loved his hometown would be an understatement.

We ask that you please keep Chief Deland’s family in your prayers, especially his wife, Linda, and son and daughter, Joey and Michelle.

A full obituary detailing Chief Deland’s many more accomplishments is forthcoming, along with information about his funeral service. We will share as we learn more from Chief Deland’s family.