

Bell Ceremony

Throughout most of history, the life of a firefighter has been closely associated with the ringing of a bell.

As he began his tour of duty, it was the bell that started the shift.

Throughout the day and night, each alarm was sounded by a bell, which called him to duty and to place his life in jeopardy for the good of his fellow man.

And when the call had ended, and the alarm was completed, it was the bell that rang three times to signal the end.

And now our Brother

has completed his task, his duties well done, and the bell rings three times followed by a pause, three times followed by a pause and three times in memory of and in tribute to his life and service.

Detail Officer calls firefighters to attention

Color Guard and / or firefighters called to present arms

Bell is solemnly struck three times for three cycles; pausing in between strikes and cycles.

Color Guard and / or firefighters called to order arms