

St. Lucie County Fire District

News Release

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SLCFD Firefighter Participating in Brotherhood Ride

St. Lucie County, FL -- St. Lucie County Firefighter Paramedic Ed Hill heard about the Brotherhood Ride a bit late in the process, flyers had already been sent out and fundraising efforts started, but he thought he wanted to join.

The Brotherhood Ride is an organization of firefighters, law enforcement officers and first responders who ride bicycles to honor emergency responders who died in the line of duty. The 2014 Florida Ride will start on August 1 in North Naples, FL and travel across the east coast and back, ending in Port Charlotte, FL on August 4. The ride raises money for the families left behind.

The ride will honor four law enforcement officers, including SLCSO Sgt. Gary Morales. It will also honor, thanks to Hill's participation, St. Lucie County Fire District Lt. Mark Morrison. Lt. Morrison passed away, while on duty, on March 4, 2012. Morrison had not been honored in previous rides.

Hill made a call to organizers and quickly got the approval to join the team of bicyclists.

Similar rides have taken place in Florida in 2009 and in 2012. Other rides have been in Charleston, SC, New York City, and Tennessee.

For more information about the Brotherhood Ride, go to their website www.brotherhoodride.com