



# Georgetown Police Department

## Honor Guard



**The mission of the Georgetown Police Department Honor Guard is to represent the department as a highly disciplined team serving with Dignity, Honor, and Professionalism at all ceremonial functions.**

In addition, the Honor Guard serves the police department and the community as a visual reminder of the service and traditions of law enforcement, forever respecting and remembering those who have come before us and those who will follow.

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# History

The current Georgetown Police Honor Guard was established in 2009. Between 2009 and 2012 members were recruited, trained and outfitted with the uniform you see today.

Every member of the GPD honor Guard has attended the National Honor Guard Academy where they received specialized training in Funeral Planning, Drill and Ceremony, Death Vigil and Casket Watch, Casket Movement, Flag Folding, Ceremonial Firing Detail, Color Guard, Posting of Colors, Rifle Movements, and Proper US Flag Etiquette.



## Events Attended

Texas Police Week  
Opening Ceremonies Round Rock Express  
Statewide Funerals for Fallen Officers  
Patriotic Appreciation Events  
Presentation of the Colors  
Veterans Events  
Parades  
City Events  
Various Ceremonies  
Educational Events

*To request our service please contact the Community Resources Division at 512-930-2594*



## Funding

The initial start-up cost was funded by the Georgetown Police Department with the generous support of Chief Wayne Nero. Future funding will be a combination of private donations and the continued support of the GPD.

Our future goal is to have members represent the Georgetown Police Department at National Police Week in Washington D.C. Honorariums and donations can be made through our VIPS Program. Contact Linda Lipscomb at [linda.lipscomb@georgetown.org](mailto:linda.lipscomb@georgetown.org) for additional information.

## Links

Texas Peace Officer Memorial Fund  
Officer Down Memorial Page  
National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund  
United States Flag Etiquette

[www.pomf.org](http://www.pomf.org)  
[www.odmp.org](http://www.odmp.org)  
[www.nleomf.com](http://www.nleomf.com)  
[www.usflag.org](http://www.usflag.org)



## The meaning of the Patch

The **AMERICAN FLAG** signifies our commitment and patriotism to this great country and its veterans.

The **NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MEMORIAL FLAG** represents our honor to fallen officers in the United States.

The **FIVE POINTED STAR** not only signifies the Great State of Texas, but the white color of the lone star symbolizes our honor to fallen officers in the State of Texas.

The **BLACK RIBBON** with red letters is symbolic of the black shroud/band worn on badges by the Law Enforcement community as a display of mourning and a constant reminder of the dangers of this occupation.

The **RED – NOSCITUR A DECUS** means “They are known by their honor”, and the red is for the blood and sacrifice given by a fallen fellow officer.

The **BLUE TRIM** around the ribbon and the patch symbolizes the courage officers find when faced with insurmountable odds. The line represents the barrier between disorder and a civilized society, between order and chaos, between respect for decency and lawlessness.

The **OLIVE BRANCH** on the right of the patch signifies our dedication to the family of a deceased officer by symbolizing Peace for the family.

The **OAK BRANCH** on the left side of the patch signifies our dedication to the family of a deceased officer by symbolizing Strength for the family.