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OCSO MOURNS PASSING OF DEDICATED INVESTIGATOR



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is mourning the loss of Investigator Paul "Monty" Easterday who passed away Saturday, March 19th, at Fort Walton Beach Medical Center after a brief illness.

Investigator Easterday, who was 43-years old, had joined the OCSO in October 1997 and quickly established a reputation of dedication and thoroughness in working to protect the community. Especially notable was his work in his specialty area of investigating and solving cases involving victims of child abuse. He had a compassionate, easy going personality and a great sense of humor, but was very intense when it came to protecting children from exploitation and abuse.

"God created Monty for a purpose and though his departure was from this life was untimely, I know he has fulfilled that purpose," said Sheriff Larry Ashley. "Monty was a steadfast public servant and his good works will always be remembered by those he helped. We, his friends and co-workers at the Sheriff's Office, will miss him greatly and we will honor him by carrying on his good works. We pray for his family's comfort during this time of loss and grief."

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