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WSP identifies Marysville trooper killed in line of duty

MARYSVILLE, Wash. – With the heaviest of hearts, the Washington State Patrol (WSP) confirms the line-of-duty loss of Trooper Christopher M. Gadd #927, who was tragically killed early this morning after being struck by a motorist on southbound Interstate 5 near 136th Street North in Marysville. He served two-and-a-half years with the WSP.

Trooper Gadd is the 33rd member of the WSP to die in the line of duty in the agency's 103 years of service to this state.

Trooper Gadd, 27, is survived by his wife, Cammryn, daughter Kaelyn, father WSP Trooper David Gadd, mother Gillian, sister, Jacqueline who currently serves as a trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety, and many other family members, friends and colleagues.

Trooper Gadd was born on Sept. 28, 1996, in Pasco, Wash. He graduated from Kentlake High School in Kent, Wash., before attending Green River College and Tacoma Community College, earning his Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) certification. Trooper Gadd married his wife Cammryn on Jan. 11, 2020. The couple welcomed their daughter, Kaelyn Rebecca, on Jan. 31, 2022.

This promising young man began working for the WSP on Sept. 16, 2021, as a trooper cadet assigned to Grandview. He joined the 116th Trooper Basic Training Class (TBTC) on April 18, 2022. He successfully graduated later that year on Nov. 16 and was assigned to serve in Marysville.

While at the academy, Trooper Gadd received the Top Academic Award that recognizes the outstanding efforts of the cadet who attains the highest grade point average compiled in the more than 30 exams necessary for graduation.

"Chris's passing is a devastating loss to his family – a family who knows all too well the risks of public service but still has offered that service with unquestioned valor and now, unfathomable sacrifice," said WSP Chief John R. Batiste. "I can tell you that across the entire Washington State Patrol, every head is bowed, every knee is bent, and every heart is broken as we mourn this loss. To honor Chris, even in sorrow, we will go on. We will continue to serve. Because he did, we must."

The WSP appreciates both the media and public's honoring of the family's privacy at this time. After consultation with the family, the WSP will make information available in the days to come on service and memorial planning.

We will never forget Trooper Christopher M. Gadd.

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