

Media Release

The Hon Daniel Andrews MP
Premier



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POLICE OFFICERS REMEMBERED AT STATE MEMORIAL

The four Victoria Police Officers who lost their lives in the Eastern Freeway tragedy will be remembered today for their dedication to protecting the Victorian community.

A State Memorial Service will be held at Marvel Stadium to honour Leading Senior Constable Lynette Taylor, Senior Constable Kevin King, Constable Josh Prestney and Constable Glen Humphris.

The night of 22 April 2020 has been ingrained in the minds of all Victorians as a time of immense shock and sadness – for none more so than the four families whose loved ones did not make it home and the wider Victoria Police family, who lost four cherished colleagues.

Today's service is an opportunity to formally honour their sacrifice and to reflect on their legacies that have touched the hearts of so many Victorians since that tragic night.

At the conclusion of the service, Victoria Police members will form a guard of honour as a mark of respect for their fallen colleagues.

Landmark buildings across our city will be lit up in blue this evening following the State Memorial Service to honour the memories of the four Victoria Police officers.

A livestream of the service will be available to view at vic.gov.au/memorial-victoria-police.

Quotes attributable to Premier Daniel Andrews

"The loss of Lynette, Kevin, Josh and Glen was devastating for their families, their colleagues at Victoria Police and all Victorians."

"The outpouring of grief we saw in the wake of the tragedy is a reflection of how much the community values the service and sacrifice of Victoria Police officers."

Quote attributable to Minister for Police Lisa Neville

"This memorial service is an important opportunity for the families, Victoria Police and the community to come together to formally honour these four Victorian heroes who paid the ultimate price while keeping us safe."