



LUTHERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, INC.

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Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company Mourns the Loss of Firefighter Mark G. Falkenhan Killed in the Line of Duty

Lutherville, MD, January 21, 2011—The Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company (“LVFC”) mourns the loss of its volunteer member, Mark G. Falkenhan, who was tragically killed while searching for trapped occupants of a burning apartment building in Hillendale on January 19, 2011.

Falkenhan has been a volunteer member of LVFC since 2009, having left the Baltimore County Fire Department in 2006 after 16 years of service. He was extraordinarily well trained in firefighting, emergency medical services and technical rescues, and unstintingly gave his time and knowledge to his brother and sister firefighters. He will be sorely missed, and never forgotten.

Today, the Baltimore County Fire Department awarded Falkenhan its Medal of Honor—its highest commendation—for performing acts of extraordinary heroism or bravery in the saving, or attempted saving, of the lives of others. He was also awarded the Purple Heart.

Falkenhan is survived by his wife, Gladys, and Christian and Garrett, his children. The thoughts and prayers of his brothers and sisters at the Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company are with Mark and his family.

Viewings will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Ruhl Armory in Towson.

A service will take place Monday at 11 a.m. Monday at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore. Burial will immediately follow at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens.

The members of the Company are truly gratified by the tremendous outpouring of support by the career and volunteer members and officers of the Baltimore County Fire Department, the fire service and the entire community.

LVFC is staffed solely by volunteers and has been continuously providing fire, rescue and emergency medical services to Lutherville and the surrounding community since 1909. The Company operates three engine companies, a state of the art heavy rescue squad and a medical support vehicle out of its station on Bellona Avenue in Lutherville, MD. Further information about the Company can be found at www.lvfc.com.

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