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On the Road in NH: Highway Memorial Dedicated in Manchester

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A memorial ceremony dedicated to 10 highway department workers, whose lives were lost in service to the city, was held in Manchester on September 3, 2009 at the Highway Department.

With Valley Street closed to traffic on a sun-splashed afternoon, the accolades came in from Mayor Frank Guinta, Governor John Lynch, and Reverend Douglas Rickard, who gave a moving speech (see Figure 1). More than 300 people, including many relatives of those honored, were in attendance.

The memorial features the city seal along with the names of the ten deceased individuals. It is located just outside the highway department's north wall (see Figure 2).



Figure 1: From Left to Right--Kevin Shepphard, Manchester Public Works Director; Rev. Douglas Rickard; Mayor Frank Guinta; Dan Garrity, VP AFSME 298; & NH Governor John Lynch.



Dan Garrity, Vice President of AFSME Local 298, organized the Memorial project. A reception was held at the American Legion's Sweeney Post Hall in Manchester following the dedication. Manchester Community Television and the Union Leader newspaper covered the event.



Figure 2: The memorial with the names of the 10 deceased individuals.

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