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Mayor Jacobs Focuses Weekly Update on Fallen KCSO Deputy

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will be posted at about 10 a.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, talks about Knox County Sheriff's Office Deputy Tucker Blakely.

Blakely, 29, was shot and killed in the line of duty late last Sunday night. The officer was a 2021 Knox County Regional Training Academy graduate and had recently taken an assignment as a K-9 officer. Sunday was his last patrol shift before beginning his K-9 duties.

“Our men and women in blue put their lives on the line every day,” Mayor Jacobs says. “It’s times like this that remind us of the sacrifices they make and the sacrifices they are prepared to make for the communities they serve. As Sheriff Spangler said: ‘Officer Blakely is a hero. He lived as a hero, and he died a hero.’”

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