



# REDDING FIRE DEPARTMENT

## 2018 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

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The Redding Fire Department is proud to announce the 2018 Firefighter of the Year:  
**FIRE INSPECTOR/INVESTIGATOR JEREMY STOKE**



Jeremy Stoke started his career as a Seasonal Firefighter with Cal FIRE from 2001 to 2004. He completed an Associates of Arts Degree from Shasta College and then joined the Redding Fire Department as a full-time Firefighter in 2004. Jeremy promoted to Fire Engineer in 2007 and transferred to the Fire Prevention Division as a Fire Inspector/Investigator in 2017.

Jeremy was a Department Instructor in vehicle extrication, a member of our Apparatus and Equipment Workgroup, the Service Technician for all our Holmatro equipment and an Instructor for the Shasta College Fire Academy.

On July 26, 2018, the Carr Fire entered the City of Redding. Jeremy cut his vacation short and returned to work to help battle the fire. He answered the call to respond, like he had hundreds of times before, not knowing he would face a historic incident never before seen in our City. He did what Jeremy always did; he went to work saving lives, evacuating residents and assisting our crews. On that day, Jeremy paid the ultimate sacrifice protecting our community.

The Redding Fire Department proudly honors Jeremy Stoke, posthumously, as the 2018 Firefighter of the Year.