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**Workers Memorial Day Honors Iowans Who Lost Their Lives in the Workplace**

**DES MOINES, IA** – Iowans will gather to pay tribute and to reflect upon Iowa workers who lost their lives while working during the annual Workers Memorial Day ceremony on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. The ceremony will be held at Iowa Workforce Development at 1000 E Grand Ave in Des Moines. In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in the Wallace Building Auditorium located west of the Iowa Workforce Building at 502 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

“Workers Memorial Day is a day to honor and remember Iowans who have died in Iowa's workplaces and serving in our Military in the past year. This is also a day to reflect on the lives that were lost and to renew our commitment to workers safety and health in the workplace” said Iowa Labor Commissioner Michael A. Mauro.

During calendar year 2013, 61 Iowans died from injuries sustained while working, including one Iowan who lost their life serving their county in the military. Additionally, untold numbers of Iowans are injured from exposures in the workplace. The family and friends of the deceased have been invited to this annual ceremony.

Governor Terry Branstad, Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds and Labor Commissioner Michael A. Mauro will be joined by President Mark Cooper, SCIFL, AFL-CIO and President Ken Sagar, IFL, AFL-CIO. Also, state and local public officials, representatives from various labor organizations and the public will be in attendance to honor those that have lost their lives.

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