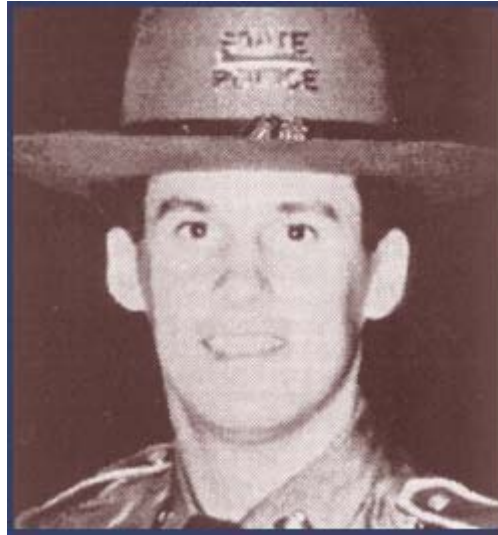


The Connecticut Police Chiefs Law Enforcement Memorial



**Russell Bagshaw
Trooper
State
Died: 06/05/1991**

On June 5, 1991, at about 3:00 AM Trooper Russell Bagshaw, age 28, of Columbi was executed in an ambush style shooting after he stopped at a North Windham gun shop to check the building. A four-year veteran assigned to Troop K, Trooper Bagshaw interrupted a burglary at the store, and died of multiple gunshot wounds before he could use the radio or exit his cruiser. A firefighter driving by the gun shop minutes afterwards saw the cruiser with its strobe lights on and stopped at the pay phone to call the owner. The storeowner joined the fireman at the gun shop and they both approached the cruiser, they found Trooper Bagshaw slumped over the wheel. The firefighter then used Trooper Bagshaw's portable radio and began calling: "Officer Down! Officer Down!" Several minutes later, other Troopers arrived. On June 7, 1991 less than 48 hours after the shooting Duane and Terry Johnson were arrested for the most cold-blooded violence ever leveled at a Connecticut State Trooper.