The U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) has received notice of the following firefighter fatality:

Captain Anthony "Tony" Hoffman

Ionia Fire Department

Ionia, Iowa

On Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, Ionia Fire Department firefighters were responding to a cornfield fire. A pumper was driven by a member of the department and a converted Polaris Ranger fire vehicle was driven by Captain Anthony "Tony" Hoffman. Captain Hoffman veered off and hit the side of the pumper, causing him to lose control and crash. He was ejected from the vehicle. He was immediately airlifted to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota where he passed away a short time later. The other firefighter driving the pumper was not hurt.

Age: 43

Sex: Male

Classification: Volunteer

Years of service: 17

Date of incident: October 22, 2023

Date of death: October 22, 2023