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

Christian Dean Johnson

Assistant Fire Chief

Okanogan Fire Department/Okanogan County Fire District 3 Okanogan, WA

On Sunday, September 1, 2019, the Okanogan Fire Department/Okanogan County Fire District 3 responded to the Spring Coulee wildland fire. Assistant Chief Christian Dean Johnson and another firefighter were in a brush truck on the north end of the fire when the flames overtook them. The firefighter with Johnson was able to outrun the fire, but Johnson was unable to escape. The other firefighter came back to treat him and called for help. Johnson was airlifted to the Harborview Medical Center in Seattle, WA, where he died on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, from the burn injuries he sustained in the fire.

Age: 55

Gender: Male

Status: Volunteer

Years of Service: 20

Date of Incident: September 1, 2019

Date of Death: October 2, 2019