

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

Derek Poole

Firefighter

Catawba Volunteer Fire Department
Catawba, NC

On April 15, 2007, Firefighter Derek Poole was returning to the fire station in his privately owned vehicle, from the scene of an arson fire set in the woods, when he missed a stop sign at the road's intersection and crashed into another vehicle. Firefighter Poole was ejected from the car. He passed away on Monday, August 9, 2021, from the injuries he sustained in the accident. Firefighter Poole was also a member of the West Iredell Fire Department.

Age: 33

Gender: Male

Status: Volunteer

Years of Service: 15

Date of Incident: April 15, 2007

Date of Death: August 9, 2021