

**05-20-1975 Olathe KS – William Bingham – FF PSD Recovery**



**William J. Bingham**

<http://www.ksffa.com/info/kansas-lodds/>

Olathe Fire Department - May 20, 1975

Captain Bingham died while diving at Olathe Lake during a body recovery from an earlier drowning.



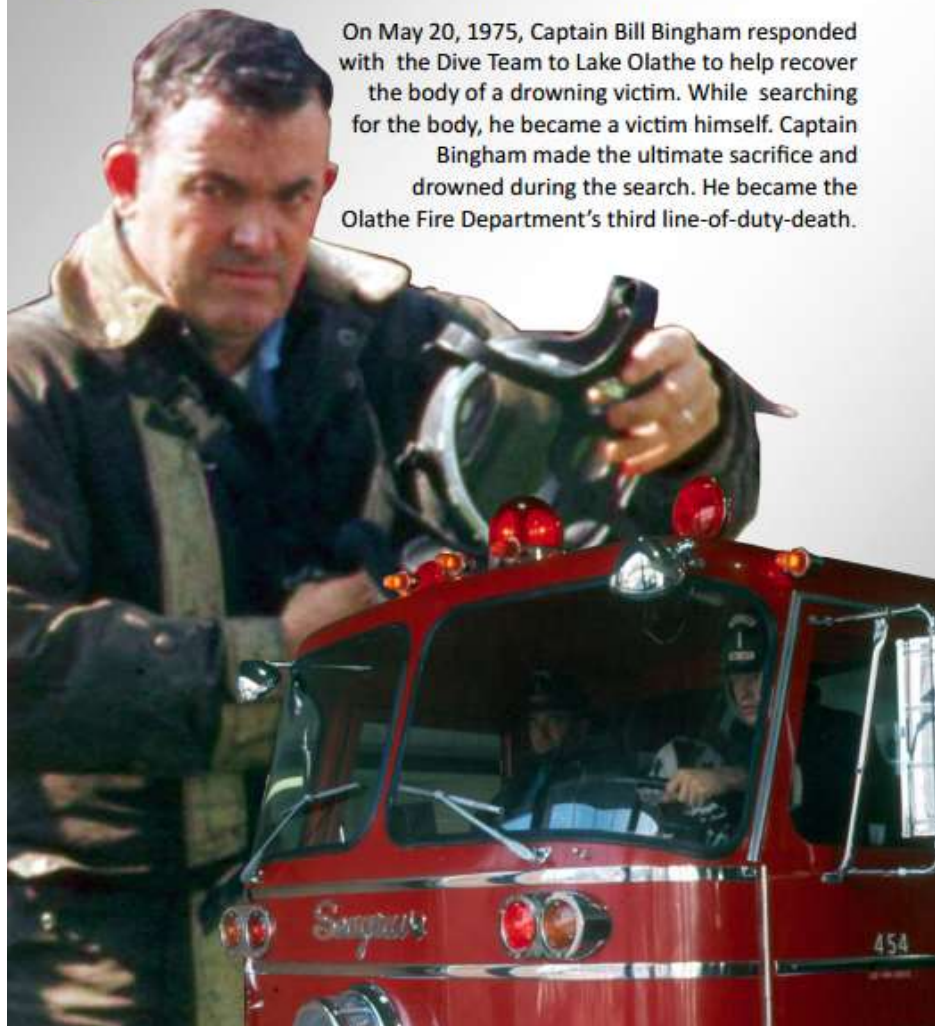
<http://www.olatheks.org/files/fire/OlatheFireBillBingham1975.pdf>

Honorably served Olathe from 1962 to May 20, 1975



**Captain William “Bill” Bingham**

On May 20, 1975, Captain Bill Bingham responded with the Dive Team to Lake Olathe to help recover the body of a drowning victim. While searching for the body, he became a victim himself. Captain Bingham made the ultimate sacrifice and drowned during the search. He became the Olathe Fire Department's third line-of-duty-death.



**'Capt. Bill' devoted his life to helping others!**

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This morning firefighters laid a wreath in memory of Captain Bill Bingham who made the ultimate sacrifice in 1975. Forever rest in peace captain!!

