



# WORLD RANGER DAY 2024

## ROLL OF HONOUR

### Recognising Ranger Deaths in the Line of Duty Deaths by Region/Country - June 2023 to May 2024



AFRICA Region		(42 deaths)
Angola	Francisco João Vontade	Attacked by poachers
Benin	Bio Gnoworogui Gilbert	Died in motorcycle accident
Benin	Aziz Abdel Soumanou	Died during official visit
Benin	Gnamì Kouga Inocent	Shot by unidentified individuals
Botswana	Sterling Montsosi	Trampled by elephant
Cameroon	Amawissa Haman Jean Paul	Attacked by separatists
Cote d'Ivoire	Tiékoura Célestin	Car collided with bus
Cote D'Ivoire	Lt. Zazan Gregoire Richmond	Motorcycle accident
D R Congo	Mulopwe Majondo Saidi	Killed in militia attack on his post
D R Congo	Banze Mupafu Eurasme	Rangers attacked by insurgents
D R Congo	Djibril Mutambala Kabengano	Died in attack by armed group
D R Congo	Mahangaiko Bazirake Celestin	Killed by elephant
D R Congo	Alex Masungi Ndonga	Drowned trying to save tourists
Ethiopia	Miliyon Tolom Lokare	Shot by poachers
Ghana	Daniel Kyei Bobson (Robert)	Shot escorting timber poachers
Ghana	Titus Avoka Azasiyande	Shot by unknown assailants
Kenya	Rakoi Sengený	Missing presumed drowned
Kenya	Simore Karkar	Drowned
Kenya	Enock Ntaloi Mpetti	Aneurysm while on duty
Kenya	Simon Lorunyei	Killed by elephant
Kenya	un-named	Killed in clash with cattle herders
Mozambique	Lucas Martinho Vinte	Attacked by poachers
Mozambique	Harish Chandra Pandey	Killed by poachers
Nigeria	Musa Yusuf	Limited details
Nigeria	Idris Mohammed	Shot on anti-poaching patrol
Nigeria	Peter Ayemhoba	Stoned to death by bandits
Nigeria	Julius Adeola Adedokun	Stoned to death by bandits
South Africa	Sphamandla Phiwayinkosi Mthembu	Killed by hippo
South Africa	Johannes Chengeredze	Hit & run incident
Sudan	Garang Ruay	Abducted and hung
Tanzania	Mkwabi Ndelembi	Drowned while chasing poachers
Tanzania	Ezekiel Kilusu	Drowned while chasing poachers
Tanzania	Bryson Elisha	Vehicle accident while on patrol
Tanzania	Alphonce Boniface Olomi	Drowned moving poached cattle
Tanzania	Taiko Olesalei Marau	Attacked by a buffalo
Tanzania	Samwel Edward Nassari	Killed by buffalo
Uganda	Brian Gigo	Unexplained sudden death
Zambia	Josephat Singoyi	Elephant attack
Zambia	Obvious Mushitala	Snake bite
Zambia	Edward Sambwa	Tripped & accidentally shot himself
Zambia	Adamson Zimba	Shot in friendly fire incident
Zimbabwe	Bernard Magisambiti Musimeki	Killed by elephant

ASIA Region		(74 deaths)
Bangladesh	Md Sajjaduzzaman Shahjahan	Run over by soil poacher truck
China	Un-named	Head forester killed firfighting
China	Un-named	Forest ranger killed firefighting
India	Ghankanta Das	Attacked by elephant
India	C.M. Balan	Trampled by own elephant
India	Rajbir Ahmed	Attacked by timber poachers
India	RFO Prakash	Suspected insect bite
India	Raisuddin Ahmed	Drowned whilst on duty
India	Mati (Mathy) Handsah	Shot dead by poachers
India	Yogesh Naika	Accidental pesticide poisoning
India	Santosh Dundi	Killed by bear
India	Imran Yousaf Wani	Shot at timber checkpoint
India	Ravi Raj	Attacked by gaur (buffalo)
India	H.H. Venkatesh	Killed trying to tranquillise elephant
India	B.Girish	Trampled by elephant
India	Irumban Kumaran	Killed by elephant
India	Thankachan	Trampled by elephant
India	Sudhakar B. Atram	Killed during elephant incursion
India	Rajkumar	Bike hit by speeding truck
India	Ramesh Chandra	Killed by elephant
India	Atul Kalita	Killed trying to relocate elephants
India	Ranjan Kumar Sethi	Electrocuted by trap wires
India	Robin Basumatary	Killed by buffalo
India	Pawan Kumar	Killed by tiger while on patrol
India	Ramchandar	Attack by wild elephant
India	V. Ragunathan	Road traffic accident
India	Rithey Subba	Killed by elephant with calf
India	Chitralal Tossa	Heart attack whilst on duty
India	Rajesh Meravi	Drowned on patrol
India	Prashant Pal	Killed by elephant
India	Harish Chandra Pandey	Found in lake after 2 week search
India	Saif Ali Rehman	Killed when EV on test hit tree
India	Shailesh Ghildiyal Kumar	Killed when EV on test hit tree
India	Parmod Kumar Dhyani	Killed when EV on test hit tree
India	Aloki Devi	Drowned in canal following EV crash
India	Basdev Baitha	On duty incident
India	B.Raju	Trampled by elephant

India	Pakkam Vellachalil Paul	Trampled by elephant
India	Abdul (Ali) Qayam Miyan	Trampled by elephant
India	Prabin Boro	Respiratory attack on duty
India	K. Venkadesh	Heart attack during patrol
India	Apurba Momin	Killed by buffalo
India	Biren Rabha	Elephant attack
India	Kuleshwar Boro	Elephant attack
India	Rajendra Singh Kusre	Heart attack after all-night firefighting
India	Amalendu Halder	Boat patrol attacked by poachers
Kazakhstan	Serikzhan Toktassyn	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Alexey Gubayev	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Maksim Fominykh	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Sayat Nurzhigitov	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Konstantin Nachinyonov	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Alexander Sidorin	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Meiramgul Zhiyenbayeva	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Viktor Sidorin	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Sergey Puzyryov	Died in massive forest fires
Kazakhstan	Pyotr Grazhdankin	Died in massive forest fires
Nepal	Dhan Bahadur Ban	Killed by elephant
Pakistan	Abdul Jabbar Sakna	Electrocuted by falling powerline
Pakistan	Zeeshan Shah	Jeep plunged into gorge
Pakistan	Afaq Ahmed	Jeep plunged into gorge
Philippines	Alejandro Traya	Shot in back by unknown person
Sri Lanka	S. Sridaran	Trampled by elephant
Thailand	Warawut Kanprachum	Heart attack following patrol
Thailand	Yutthana Rabbat	Heart attack whilst on patrol
Thailand	Sangworn Nuanthip	Killed whilst on patrol
Thailand	Jongrak Jongsri	Killed trying to relocate elephant
Thailand	Pansak Jaimongkol	Heart attack whilst on patrol
Thailand	Mor. Akham Chuvannaket	Aneurysm during patrol
Thailand	Wallop Burapha	Elephant attack
Thailand	Wutipngt Sriota	Brain aneurysm on patrol
Thailand	Khomsin Kating	Drowned
Vietnam	Nguyen Kim Anh	Body found with multiple gunshots
Vietnam	Tran Van Khien	Killed during firefighting efforts
Vietnam	Truong Thi Lan	Killed during firefighting efforts

CENTRAL AMERICA Region		(6 deaths)
Nicaragua	Sergio Julián	Shot by armed settlers
Honduras	Luis Hernán Baca Valladares	Clubbed by persons unknown
Mexico	José Ángel Pelcastre	Illegal loggers attacked patrol
Mexico	Ventura Ojeda	Illegal loggers attacked patrol
Mexico	Florentino Castro	Illegal loggers attacked patrol
Panama	Delvis Abdiel Mojica Gomez	Cause not stated

EUROPE Region		(6 deaths)
Ukraine	Serhiy Volkov	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol
Ukraine	Ivan Romanchenko	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol
Ukraine	Oleksandr Hlushenko	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol
Ukraine	Andrii Mykhaylenko	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol
Ukraine	Serhiy Zabolotny	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol
Ukraine	Andrii Burakov	Hit by Russian artillery on patrol

NORTH AMERICA Region		(1 death)
USA	Benjamin Charles Sapper	Fire truck accident

OCEANIA Region		No Ranger Line of Duty Deaths
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SOUTH AMERICA Region		(11 deaths)
Argentina	Silvio Ariel Schuquel	Cause not stated
Chile	Jarol Rodríguez Jiménez	Motorcycle collided with truck
Peru	Elver Castillo Ávila	Heart attack whilst on duty
Peru	Pedro Antonio Saldaña Cárdenas	On duty RTA & heart attack
Peru	Ricardo Aaron Zapata Ruiz	Ambushed by motorbike thieves
Peru	Jailer Edinzon Jota Coquinche	Dengue fever (died during medevac)
Peru	Victorio Dariquebe Gerewa	Murdered by unknown persons.
Peru	Angelo Tentes Antonio	Heart attack on patrol
Venezuela	Andres Joendy Gomez Vasquez	On duty heart attack
Venezuela	Synthia Virginia Lamas Vegas	Aneurysm
Venezuela	Urbaneja Martinez Richard Antonio	Heart attack

The Unknown Ranger	
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Total number of lives lost - 140 from 37 countries  
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