Former Louisiana State Fire Marshal Carrol Herring Passes Away

Baton Rouge, LA- Just before noon today, former State Fire Marshal Carrol L. Herring passed away at a local Baton Rouge hospital surrounded by loving family and friends. Herring, who was 86 years old, had for sometime now battled illness. Herring was a native of Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Prior to becoming State Fire Marshal Herring spent 15 years as a fireman with the Baton Rouge Fire Department and 12 years as Director of LSU Firemen Training. In 1981 Herring was appointed to serve as State Fire Marshal, by then Governor Dave Treen. Herring served with distinction for nine years until his retirement from state service in 1990.

In 1999, Herring was called to service again as Director of LSU Fire Service Training, which then operated under the name, LSU Fire and Emergency Training Institute. Herring continued his service until he retired for a second time in 2005. In honor of Herrings service and dedication to the Louisiana fire service, LSU Fire and Emergency Training Institute was renamed, in July of 2012, the Carrol L. Herring Fire and Emergency Training Institute.

State Fire Marshal H. "Butch" Browning said of Herring, "He was a man of strong beliefs and unwavering commitment. LSU Fire and Emergency Training Institute and the Louisiana fire service as a whole is what it is today because of his commitment. Mr. Herring's many years of leadership served to transform the Louisiana fire service, ushering in a new era of professionalism."

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