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Woodstock Police Department K-9 “Brinx”

It comes with heavy hearts to announce that on Wednesday, October 12th, 2016, the Woodstock Police Department’s very first Police K-9 “Brinx” passed away peacefully at the age of 11 years and 5 months.

K-9 Brinx began his career with the City of Woodstock in 2006 and worked side-by-side with his handler, Sergeant Arthur “Ray” Lanz. Sergeant Lanz and Brinx made an incredibly deep impact on the City of Woodstock by not only by performing admirably doing their primary job of crime fighting and drug interdiction, but also by bringing smiles of joy to everyone who witnessed the K-9 unit giving their many public demonstrations. Sergeant Lanz and Brinx were one of the region’s most formidable and effective K-9 units while serving together.

Brinx retired on New Year’s Eve, 2013. Since his retirement, Brinx enjoyed life as a member of the Lanz family.

Most likely in 2017, in appreciation of Brinx’s loyal and exemplary public service, he will be added to the roster of Police K-9s at the Northern Illinois Police K-9 Memorial located at Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville (www.policek9memorial.org).



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