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UPDATE - Fire District 7 and Camano Island Fire mourn the loss of one of their own

[Monroe, WA] – The final determination has been made about the cause of death for the firefighter/paramedic who died on the morning of Sunday, April 22, 2018.

The Island County Coroner's Office released Tuesday, April 24, that Erik Shouse, passed away at his home from sudden cardiac arrest.

He was a 15 year veteran firefighter/paramedic with Fire District 7 and a Fire Commissioner for four years with Camano Island Fire and Rescue. Shouse is survived by his loving wife and their two young daughters. A procession and private service will be held on Sunday, April 29th.

A Shouse Family Memorial Fund has been set up through the Snohomish County District 7 Firefighters Local 2781. All donations will be given to the Shouse family to support them during this difficult time. Donations can be made online at www.snocountyffunion.com or checks can made out to the Shouse Memorial Fund and sent to IAFF Local 2781, PO Box 12893, Mill Creek WA 98082.

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