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EMOTIONAL TRIBUTE TO BELOVED OFFICER

Correction Officer Weldon Starre was remembered as a man who touched the lives of many during his brief time at the Department of Correction.

Officer Starre was memorialized February 6 at a Brooklyn funeral packed with his fellow officers.

Starre joined the Department of Corrections in May 2011 and was first assigned to the George R. Vierno Center. In January 2014 he was transferred to the Transportation Division, where he used skills he had acquired working as an MTA bus driver before coming to DOC.

“Officer Starre was passionate about his life, his family and his future, and all those who came in contact with him felt that passion,” said his supervisor Warden Felene Breeland. “He was a team player who worked well with his peers and never complained. Starre was willing to go above and beyond the call of duty all the while keeping a smile on his face,” she said. “Whether it was paintball on the weekend with co-workers and friends, or making a friendly joke, Officer Starre touched the lives of many and will be missed.”

Staring out at a sea of blue, Commissioner Joe Ponte said “[Starre’s] fellow Correction Officers came here today to honor their Brother in Blue. I hope you will feel pride when you look around you this morning and see how much your son, husband and father was loved by his fellow officers. He was fortunate to find a career in which he found meaning and purpose. Not everyone can say that. More importantly, Weldon had a family, including his wife and four children, who love him. Although he was taken from us too soon, Weldon Starre lived a successful life.”

