

Fleet Loses Two of its Own

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NYC is fortunate to have over 2,000 full-time staff working in fleet servicing and dispatch operations across 50 agencies and offices. Sadly, Fleet lost two dedicated and respected colleagues recently: Dragan “Danny” Markov, Auto Mechanic at NYPD, and Lofton Johnson, Fleet Analyst at NYC Parks.



Danny started his career with the NYPD on May 2006 as an Auto Service Worker at the Fleet Services Division Central Repair Shop (CRS) in Woodside. Danny was quickly recognized for his focus and hard work. He moved to Service Shop 4 in Ridgewood, where he was promoted to Auto Service Worker Level II in August 2009.

Danny began working at NYPD’s Citywide Service Shop 9 in upper Manhattan after his promotion to Auto Mechanic in November 2014. Shop 9 is our fleet consolidation shop, servicing DOT and DEP vehicles as well as NYPD units. Danny was excited to be a part of the fleet consolidation effort and he helped make and keep this critical effort successful and a model of shared servicing and inter-agency partnership.

Danny was a skilled technician who always performed his job with a smile. He was loved and respected by all who knew him and will forever be missed at the NYPD Fleet Services Division. Danny passed away on January 25, 2019 at the age of 45. He leaves behind his wife Dafina and 2 sons, 20-year-old Dejan, and 12-year-old Marko.

NYC Parks and DCAS Fleet are also mourning the passing of Lofton Johnson on November 29, 2018. Lofton was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and worked with the U.S. Postal Service for nine years before joining Parks in 1994.

He began working on Citywide reporting for beaches, pools, and fleet at the Arsenal in Central Park. In 1995 he moved to 5-Boro, the Parks Citywide Fleet Services facility on Randall’s Island, where he spent the rest of his 25-year NYC government career.

Lofton devoted his efforts to developing and implementing daily service reports for Parks and



detailed CRASH and incident tracking. The reporting that he reliably produced day after day for so many years later became the model for the now Citywide service and crash initiatives that DCAS has implemented with all agencies.

Lofton cared enormously about his work, his City, and his Yankees, and was always there with a kind or supportive remark about public service, and to remind you with good humor when your sports team lost and his won. For his efforts in Fleet, Lofton was a recipient of a 100 Year Association Service Award from DCAS in 2006. Lofton was a native of Harlem and has a son Malik.

All of Fleet sends its sincerest condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of these two tremendous public servants, both of whom we lost far too soon. We will miss and remember you!

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