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POLICE OFFICER MICHAEL REIDY
41 Precinct

Police Officer Michael Reidy was shot and killed during a robbery attempt inside his apartment building on Friday, January 23rd, 1987.

Police Officer Reidy was off-duty and returning home from errands. He was in the vestibule of his apartment building, located in the University Heights section of the Bronx, when a male approached and attempted to rob him. It was approximately 3:15 pm.

Officer Reidy struggled with the suspect and attempted to arrest him, but was shot several times. Although mortally wounded with gunshot wounds to the chest and heart, Officer Reidy was able to return fire but did not strike the suspect. He expired from his injuries about an hour later after surgery at North Central Bronx Hospital.

The suspect was arrested three days later on January 26th, 1987. He was convicted of Murder and Attempted Robbery and sentenced to prison for 25 years to Life.

On July 25th, 2003, the southwest corner of Fordham Road and University Avenue, near the building in which Officer Reidy was killed, was officially renamed Police Officer Michael Reidy Pathway in his honor.

Police Officer Michael Reidy had served for just six months with the New York City Police Department: he was 26 years old. He was survived by his mother, Nora and five siblings.