

FALLEN FINEST

DETECTIVE SEAN CARRINGTON

Bronx Narcotics



Detective Sean G. Carrington was shot and killed while participating in a “buy-and-bust” narcotics operation on Monday, January 19, 1998.

At about 8:00 pm, an undercover officer entered the lobby of 1660 Andrews Avenue in the Morris Heights section of the Bronx and purchased a \$10 vial of crack from two dealers. After the undercover

exited the building, Detective Carrington and his partner, who were acting as “ghosts” on the operation, entered the building. One of the dealers challenged the two detectives. One of the men then drew a Mac-11 and the other a .25 caliber handgun and opened fire, striking Detective Carrington multiple times.

Detective Carrington was quickly removed to Lincoln Hospital but did not survive.

The suspect who fatally shot Detective Carrington was killed in the ensuing gun battle with police. He was a career criminal who had just been released on parole days before, on January 10, 1998, after serving eight years in prison for manslaughter. The second suspect was wounded and arrested. He was later sentenced to 20 years in prison.

During the Medal Day ceremonies held on September 14, 1999, Detective Carrington was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor.

Detective Sean G. Carrington served with the New York City Police Department for almost 4 years and had prior service as a New York City Correction Officer. He was 28 years old. Detective Carrington is survived by his fiancée, Nicole; his daughter, Niya and his mother, Jacqueline.

