On Monday, May 4, 2015, Police Officer Brian R. Moore succumbed to injuries from gunshot wounds he received two days earlier when attempting to approach a suspicious person.

On Saturday, May 2, 2015, Officer Moore and his partner, assigned to plainclothes Anti-Crime duty, were patrolling in an unmarked police car in the Queens Village section of Queens.

At approximately 6:15 pm, they observed a suspicious male walking and adjusting an object in his waistband. Officer Moore positioned the vehicle behind the suspect on 212th Street by 104th Road and attempted to question the suspect regarding his furtive actions. Suddenly, the suspect produced a gun from his waistband and fired into the police vehicle, striking Officer Moore several times. The officers, still seated in the vehicle, did not have an opportunity to return fire.

Police Officer Moore was critically injured and rushed to Jamaica Hospital. His partner was not injured. After two days, Police Officer Moore succumbed to his injuries.

The perpetrator, a 35-year-old recidivist with an extensive arrest history, was apprehended a short time later inside of a nearby home.

On Friday, May 8, 2015, during the funeral services, Police Commissioner William J. Bratton posthumously promoted Police Officer Moore to Detective, First Grade.

Detective Moore was first assigned to the Queens South 103 Precinct Impact Zone then in May 2012, he was transferred to the 105 Precinct. During his career, Detective Moore was awarded two Excellent Police Duty medals, two Meritorious Police Duty medals for exceptional police duty, and made 160 arrests. He is remembered as a young man who died doing what he loved most, following in his father’s and uncle’s footsteps and fulfilling his dream as a police officer with the New York City Police Department.