

JAMES (JIMMY) STARLING Florida Highway Patrol

Jimmy Starling is a dedicated 42-year veteran of the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), beginning his career in March 1983 as part of the 68th Recruit Class. After graduating from the FHP Academy, he served in Troop E in Miami and later transferred to Troop K, covering the north district of the Florida Turnpike.

In 1993, Jimmy reached a significant career milestone by becoming a Corporal in the Traffic Homicide Program, realizing his goal of becoming a Traffic Homicide Investigator. He further advanced his expertise by becoming a Certified Traffic Crash Reconstructionist after completing FHP's rigorous certification process.

Promoted to sergeant in 2009, Jimmy served as a subject matter expert in the Traffic Homicide Coordinator's Office, where he oversaw policies, procedures, training, and equipment evaluation for the program. His leadership has greatly influenced FHP and law enforcement agencies across Florida.

A respected instructor, Jimmy taught traffic homicide curriculum statewide and contributed to the development of training standards through his work on the FDLE Criminal Justice Standards and Training Committee. His career has significantly advanced traffic homicide investigations in Florida.