

**02-16-1988 New Orleans LA – Andre K Williams – Bridge Authority LEO  
Attempted Rescue**



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**Police Officer**



**Bio & Incident Details**

**Age:** 23

**Tour:** 2 years

**Badge #** Not available

**Military veteran**

**Cause:** Drowned

**Andre Keith Williams, Sr.**

Mississippi River Bridge Authority Police Department, Louisiana

**End of Watch: Tuesday, February 16, 1988**

Police Officer Andre Williams drowned while attempting to rescue a woman who had fallen off of the Canal Street Ferry into the Mississippi River.

He and a civilian both laid on the ramp in an attempt to pull the intoxicated woman from the water, however, she pulled both men into the river. The woman and the civilian were both pulled from the water but Officer Williams, who was not wearing a life preserver, went below the surface and drowned.

Officer Williams was a U.S. Navy veteran and had served with the Mississippi River Bridge Authority Police Department for two years. He was survived by his wife and two children.

**Off. Andre K. Williams  
MS River Bridge Authority  
New Orleans, LA**

**On February 16th, 1988, Officer Williams was drowned while trying to rescue a woman who fell overboard on the ferryboat on which he was patrolling.**