

North Carolina Association of Rescue & EMS, Inc.

Candidate for the Hiram Brinson Memorial Award
Application Form

Candidate's Name _____

Name of Rescue/EMS Department _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ E-mail _____

Number of years in Rescue/EMS Service _____

Chief or Captain: Phone Work () _____ Home () _____

Use these questions as a guide as you write a narrative about the candidate that you are submitting for nomination.

1. Does this candidate have a challenge that he/she has overcome?
If yes, please describe. _____

2. How has the candidate overcome the challenge? _____

3. Does the candidate need assisted technology in helping them perform their
Rescue/ EMS work? _____ Yes _____ No

4. How long has the candidate had to deal with their challenge? _____

5. Does the candidate have a family? _____ Yes _____ No

6. What other interest, hobbies or activities does this person do? _____

7. How has the candidate been an inspiration to you?
In what ways? _____
To other people? _____

8. What certifications does the candidate hold? _____

9. Is the candidate currently in school? _____ Yes _____ No

10. Is the candidate involved in their community or Church? _____ Yes _____ No

11. How has the candidate impacted the community? _____

Send all applications to :
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Deadline: July 22, 2026

Hiram Brinson Memorial Award cover sheet

Hiram Brinson was an icon not only in Duplin County but, in the state level of Rescue/ EMS as well. Hiram began the EMS service in Duplin county in 1970 serving as the EMS Director and Fire Marshall until 1997. Hiram was very active not only locally, but in the state level of EMS as well. He demonstrated selfless service through the following organizations: NC Fire/Rescue Commission (1995-2003), NC Civil Defense Association later Emergency Management Association (1970-1997); President of the NC Civil Defense Association (1975-1976); NC Association of Rescue & EMS (1985-2003); Area Director (1985-1991); Vice Commander of NC Association of Rescue & EMS (1991-1993); Commander of NC Association of Rescue & EMS (1994-1995); Chairman EMS committee of the Neuse River Council of Government/ East Carolina Council of Government (1994-2003).

Many across the state saw Hiram as a vivacious leader who had a vision of ways to lead Rescue/ EMS to where it is today. Hiram's outgoing personality masked the many physical challenges he had to deal with during his life time. Hiram's vision limitations did not stop him from traversing the state. His children, son Davis and daughter Amy, as well as friends chauffeured him from Manteo to Murphy. Vision impairments, Brights Disease, a stroke and cancer finally claimed his life all to soon at age 56.

Hiram was very passionate about his family, Duplin County and the state of North Carolina. It is our desire that the legacy Hiram Brinson started should never be forgotten. His personal journey is an inspiration to all of us in rescue and EMS. This award serves to honor an individual who has shown tremendous strength and courage as Hiram did.

Hiram Brinson Committee