



JAMES C. - 2026 Firefighters Fighting Cancer Beneficiary

Red Knights MN Chapter 4 is proud to stand with James C., a man whose life has been defined by service, leadership, and unwavering commitment to his community.

James joined the McGregor Fire Department in 1987, following his father into the fire service. Over nearly four decades, he served as Assistant Chief and has spent almost 25 years as Fire Chief — leading with humility, strength, and deep respect for “his guys.”

James and his wife, lifelong members of the McGregor community, have been married 36 years. They raised four children and are now the proud grandparents of nine grandchildren, who continue to be a source of joy and strength.

On November 5, 2025, James was diagnosed with wild-type unmethylated glioblastoma, an aggressive and inoperable brain cancer. He has completed chemotherapy and radiation and now continues treatment on a 5-days-on, 23-days-off cycle. Through it all, he has shown the same quiet courage that defined his decades of service.

James’s fight reflects the heart of the fire service — strength in adversity, loyalty to family, and resilience in the face of the unimaginable.

Red Knights MN4 is honored to stand with him, just as he has stood for his community.

Together we ride, together we fight, together we make a difference.