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Chief Deputy Richard A. Amriott

Lake County Sheriff Department

Sometimes there is not a lot to say in when it comes to defining a career, and finding just one reason to honor someone. Sometimes it's the entire package; the reputation, the esteem, the respect, and the command presence which make up the honoree, and the reasons that the honor is bestowed. So it must have seemed when Chief Deputy Richard Amriott was selected as the Blue Coats Distinguished Service Award winner for 1975.

Chief Amriott was selected, among other things, for his outstanding police work over the last ten years and for his administrative abilities. The reputation that Amriott had established made him a leader among his peers, and had earned him the respect of his fellow officers throughout Lake County.

Amriott was honored by the Blue Coats on November 21, 1975 at the Mentor Harbor Yacht Club.

Chief Amriott left his position at the Lake County Sheriff's Department to become the Chief of Police in Mentor. He continued the tradition of leadership and excellence that the Blue Coats recognized, and won national recognition through his work with the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy Alumni Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Chief Amriott has retired from law enforcement, but maintained many of the relationships that he established during his career. Chief Amriott passed away at his retirement home in South Carolina on May 1, 2017.