



## Robert Rankin Chapter #62 Public Service Awards

*Cy-Fair Houston Chamber of Commerce  
First Responder Honoree of the Month  
April 21, 2026*

*City of Jersey Village Fire Dept.*



L-R Compatriot Tom Jackson, Jacque Hardy and Sarah Howard with First Responder Sponsor Sequoia Counseling Center, Honoree Firefighter Tallon Canaris and his fiancé, City of Jersey Village Fire Chief Mark Bitz, Captain Robert Missall, and City Manager Austin Bleess. Firefighter Canaris was awarded the Life Saving and Fire Safety Medals. All members of the fire department also received Certificates of Appreciation for Covid Heroic Service.

On emergency scenes, Tallon has proven himself time and again. He has been the lead caregiver on numerous critical calls, including a cardiac arrest where he helped bring a patient back to life, the resuscitation of a severely hypovolemic patient, a major motor vehicle collision involving ejection, a LifeFlight incident involving a significant fall, and a severe burn case. These are high-pressure, high-stakes situations—and Tallon has demonstrated the skill, composure, and professionalism required to make a life-saving difference.

But beyond his credentials and call volume, what truly sets Tallon apart is who he is every day. He is consistently positive, never negative, and always willing to step in and help. He takes initiative without being asked and approaches every challenge with the right attitude. He also has a gift for public education and enjoys engaging with members of the community, proudly representing the department to visitors of all ages.

Tallon continues to look ahead, with plans to become a First Aid and CPR instructor so he can further serve and educate the public. His drive to grow, combined with his strong character and work ethic, makes it clear that he has a very bright future ahead. I have no doubt that one day he will be promoted through the ranks and serve as a strong and dependable leader.

Tallon Canaris is a true asset to the Jersey Village Fire Department and to the community he serves. In a short period of time, he has made a lasting and meaningful impact, and we are proud to recognize him today.