

Deputy [REDACTED] and I were blocking the intersection of Buford Hwy/ Hwy 124 for the fallen Gwinnett officer's funeral. We were in class A uniforms and our marked county vehicles had the blue lights activated. The funeral procession of police cars with blue lights activated were going through our intersection when a grey Chevy Silverado left the line and pulled into the turning lane. The driver, a middle aged W/M wearing a button down blue shirt and blue lensed sunglasses asked if he could turn and I told him no. He laughed and asked if we were from Hall County. I told him we were. He then asked, "Then, why are you blocking my intersection?" I answered, "For a fallen Police Officers funeral".

The driver said, "I know it's a Policeman's funeral...I'm a commissioner". I didn't say anything else to him and returned to my position of attention.

The driver then took pictures of us and our patrol cars. He looked at me and smiled, at which time I noticed a large gap in his front teeth.

As we were releasing the traffic once the procession passed, I heard the driver say, "Y'all get on back to Hall County now."

I turned to look at him for a minute. He smiled again and gave me a thumbs up sign. It was more than evident he was being sarcastic. I tried to get a tag number but couldn't due to the volume of traffic. I did notice a prestige tag of some sort out of the state of Nebraska on the front of the truck.

I was bothered by the encounter and the obvious lack of respect and reverence for the situation by a supposed commissioner so I googled Gwinnett County Commissioners on my phone. Tommy Hunter's picture appeared and Deputy [REDACTED] and I immediately recognized him as the driver of the grey Silverado. He was easily identified by the gap in his teeth as well.

Sgt. [REDACTED]