



Richard L. Nason
Retired Chief of Police

Dedicated to

RICHARD L. NASON

Chief Nason's remarkable career included:

July 26, 1963
February 12, 1970
June 27, 1973
October 24, 1977
March 3, 1981
July 26, 2002

Joined the Saco Police Department
Promoted to Sergeant
Promoted to Captain
Promoted to Deputy Chief
Promoted to Chief of Police
Retired after 39 years of service

Those who knew him respected Chief Nason, well known for his sharp sense of humor, which often relieved the stress of a dangerous situation, and his well-timed irreverent remark or two. Deeply loyal to the City and to the Saco Police Department, he oversaw the planning and dedication of a new Police Facility in 1997. This facility, with its indoor firing range and fitness room, is one of the finest in the State.

Chief Nason recognized that the solution to many of the community's problems had to come from the parties involved and thus his down-to-earth way of negotiating conflict and getting straight to the heart of the issue resulted in the resolution of many difficult situations.

The length of his tenure with the City is a statement unto itself. Serving through the civil unrest of the 1960's, and major United States Supreme Court decisions like Miranda, Chief Nason touched parts of five-separate decades during his long career. He will long be admired and missed – but certainly not forgotten – through the years of his retirement.

The City of Saco is honored to dedicate this year's Annual Report to Richard L. Nason, Former Chief of Police for the City of Saco. Nason retired July 26, 2002 after more than thirty-nine years of dedicated service.