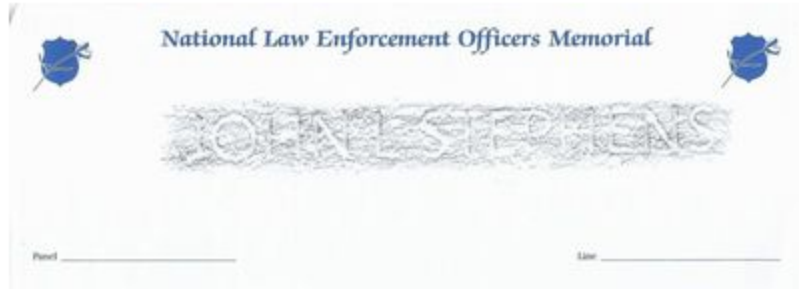


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## December 5, 1967, Officer John L. Stephens

Officer Stephens had been working plain-clothes security at the "64 Club" when he and the club manager were shot and killed by armed robbers. Hundred attended Officer Stephens' funeral. Chief of Police William Swassing declared a 30-day mourning period. The 64 club, a popular restaurant owned by George Elias, used to stand just north of East Kaneshville and McKenzie Avenue. Officer Stephens was 32-years-old at the time of his death. He was a graduate of Omaha South High School and had been a foreman for an Omaha lumber yard before joining the Council Bluffs Police Department in 1960.



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