

Captain Al Fuentes: 9/11 - F.D.N.Y. - Survivor (World Trade Center) FDNY firefighter

Where will Alfredo Fuentes, Ret. FDNY Captain of the Fire Department, City of New York be on 9/11/2009? Answer: In Japan, the USA Navy in Japan is honoring Al Fuentes on 9/11

Agoura Hills, CA ([BizHWY](http://www.bizhwy.com)) August 5, 2009 - Alfredo Fuentes, Ret. FDNY Capt., is a retired Captain of the Fire Department, City of New York. His career spans 26 + years of serving this City and 30 + years specializing in the fields of Emergency Management, Disaster Preparedness, Disaster Response and Recovery, Search and Rescue (member of the NYTF 1 national USAR Team), and Emergency Preparedness.

Captain Fuentes holds a Bachelors degree in Psychology from the State University of NY and a Masters degree in HLS Leadership from the University of Connecticut in conjunction with the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey California.

He has been a recipient of 11 meritorious awards as well as a 9/11 meritorious medal for actions during the 9/11 NYC terrorist attacks.

During his career Captain Fuentes has had an outstanding record in his profession not only in New York City but internationally, as well.

He has been a consultant and has performed work for FEMA for the past 15 years.

He responded and operated in the attacks on the NYC World Trade Center on 9-11-01 as Acting Battalion Chief for the NYC Fire Department, Marine Division where he was ultimately buried and trapped in the issuing collapse of the North Tower, eventually he was recovered, extricated and transported. He suffered various near fatal injuries and remained in a coma for weeks.

During his long career Captain Fuentes operated at the Oklahoma City Bombing in 1995, the Humberto Vidal Collapse in Puerto Rico in 1997, Hurricane Hugué (Puerto Rico, 1989), Hurricane George (The Dominican Republic, 1998), and many other emergencies and disasters, domestically and internationally.

He has been awarded a United States Patent for a "structure monitoring device." He has written for various emergency magazines as well as his first book "American By Choice".

He was an instructor for the New York City Fire Department and the United States Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

He consults for Oak Ridge National Laboratory (Dept. of Energy) and Homeland Security.

He holds numerous certificates in various disciplines such as, Confined Space, and Building Collapse.

Alfredo Fuentes was born in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

He is a citizen of the United States; he is bi-lingual: English and Spanish.

Books by Al Fuentes include:

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