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Volunteer Firefighting Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 43-year-old Staff Sergeant assigned to the South Dakota Army National Guard died in a volunteer firefighting mishap 7 September 2018 in Tilford, South Dakota, at 1640 local. The Soldier was serving as a volunteer firefighter and assisting with a structural fire when a propane tank exploded, killing him. The Soldier was on approved leave.

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