

Hall of Legends, Legacies, and Leaders



Inductee #3

**Chief Engineer Patrick H. Raymond
First Black Fire Chief of Record in the US**

Died: 1894

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Chief Raymond accomplished several notable firsts in American fire service history and was the first black chief of record in the United States. He was Cambridge's Chief Engineer from 1871 to 1879 and was the First Recording Secretary for the National Association of Fire Engineers 1873-77. The Patrick H. Raymond Steam Fire Engine Company was organized in his honor in 1874.