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LONGTIME DOVER POLICE K-9 GRINKO PASSES AWAY

DOVER, NH: It is with sadness that the Dover Police Department announces the death of retired police K-9 Grinko. Born Gringo vom Morfelder Land on October 23, 2008 in Germany, he and Detective Timothy Keefe became partners in February of 2010. At that time his name was changed to Grinko.

Grinko, a German Shepherd, was certified as a patrol dog through the United States Police Canine Association (USPCA) and served with distinction until his retirement in January of 2017.

During his career, Grinko successfully found missing and wanted persons, articles such as guns, knives, clothing as well as other evidence which assisted with the successful prosecution of several cases. He was also a member of the Strafford Country Regional Tactical Operations Unit serving in the role of tactical K-9. Toward the end of his career, Grinko and Detective Keefe were assigned to the DEA Tactical Diversion Squad where Grinko helped to support the team by locating and apprehending large scale narcotics dealers.

Since his retirement, Grinko has lived with Detective Keefe and his family.

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