Chief Neil Finn

During World War II Neil Finn volunteered as a Navy Corpsman — a combat medic — during the Battle of Shuri Castle on Okinawa, the very last ground engagement the Marines fought against the Japanese and one of the second world war’s bloodiest military actions. The other Marines considered Neil Finn, all of 17 years old, one of their own. “Doc,” as they called him, treated 200 combat-wounded Marines and fellow Corpsmen, saving some of their lives.

Chief Finn joined the Glen Rock Police Department on July 28th, 1948 and was promoted to Chief on June 1st, 1958. At the time, he was the youngest police chief in the country. He served the Glen Rock Police Department with honor and distinction until his retirement on November 30th, 1991. He was the longest serving Police Chief in the history of the Glen Rock Police Department.

Chief Finn was a graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy – 54th session, 1991 Honorary Chairman of the Bergen County Police Chief’s Association, and a past member of the Bergen County Police Academy Advisory Board as well as a long-time instructor.