

1. How long have you been a part of the fire service? I started in November 2001 as a 14 year old junior firefighter & still presently serving, 23+ years.

2. What are your roles and responsibilities in the WVFD?

- Treasurer of the Board of Directors
- Rescue Committee Advisor

3. What were the reasons you got into the fire service? To become a noble servant to the community I grew up in. Also family heritage.

4. What has been your most memorable moment while being a part of the WVFD? There has been several memorable moments throughout my tenure with Westfield Fire Dept, but the most memorable is being presented the Advanced Firefighter Certificate from my peers of the WVFD.

5. What advice would you give to a younger member of the department that is striving to be the best firefighter they can be? "The capacity to learn is a gift, the ability to learn is a skill, the willingness to learn is a choice." You are a forever student of your craft, one must humble themselves to be open to learning from others. Whether it's fine tuning skills or seeking life advice, we rely on each other's experiences and lessons learned to push each other daily. There are times in life you just can't prepare for, a total shock and the last thing you'd expect to face or encounter. Take a breath, reset, refocus, and get back to work.

6. List all certifications you have received over the years.

Advanced Firefighter Certificate

Chief 101

CPR/AED

CPR Instructor

Driver Operator (DO):

Aerials

Emergency Vehicle Driver (EVD)

FEMA - Type 3 All-Hazards Incident Management Team (O-305)

Firefighter II

Fire Officer II

Fire Life Safety Educator (FLSE) - Level II

Hazardous Materials - Level I

High Angle - Graduate

NC-EMT, Basic

NC Fire Inspector Level I

NC Law & Administration



6. (Cont.) List all certifications you have received over the years.

NC Office of State Fire Marshal Level II Instructor in the Following Disciplines:

Firefighter Level II

Rescue Technician - General, Vehicle Machinery & Agricultural

NIMS ICS 700/800/100/200/300/400

NWCG - S130/S190/S212/L180

Rapid Intervention Crew/Rapid Intervention Team (RIC/RIT)

Sworn Law Enforcement Officer - General, Since 2013 - 10 Years

Technical Rescuer with following Specialties:

Confined Space

Machine and Agricultural

Vehicle Machinery

Ropes

Swift Water

TIMS

Wildland Fire Suppression

