

1. How long have you been a part of the fire service? Since September of 1997, I joined Westfield Volunteer Fire Department as a Jr. Firefighter, 27+ years.

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

- Chief of the Department
- Chair of the Building and Ground Committee
- Digital Signage Committee
- Exo member of the Board of Directors
- Member of the Finance Committee
- Member of the Membership Committee
- Member of the Equipment Committee
- Member of the Scholarship Committee
- Chair of the Supplemental Services Committee for the County Fire Chiefs
- President of Surry County Chiefs' Council

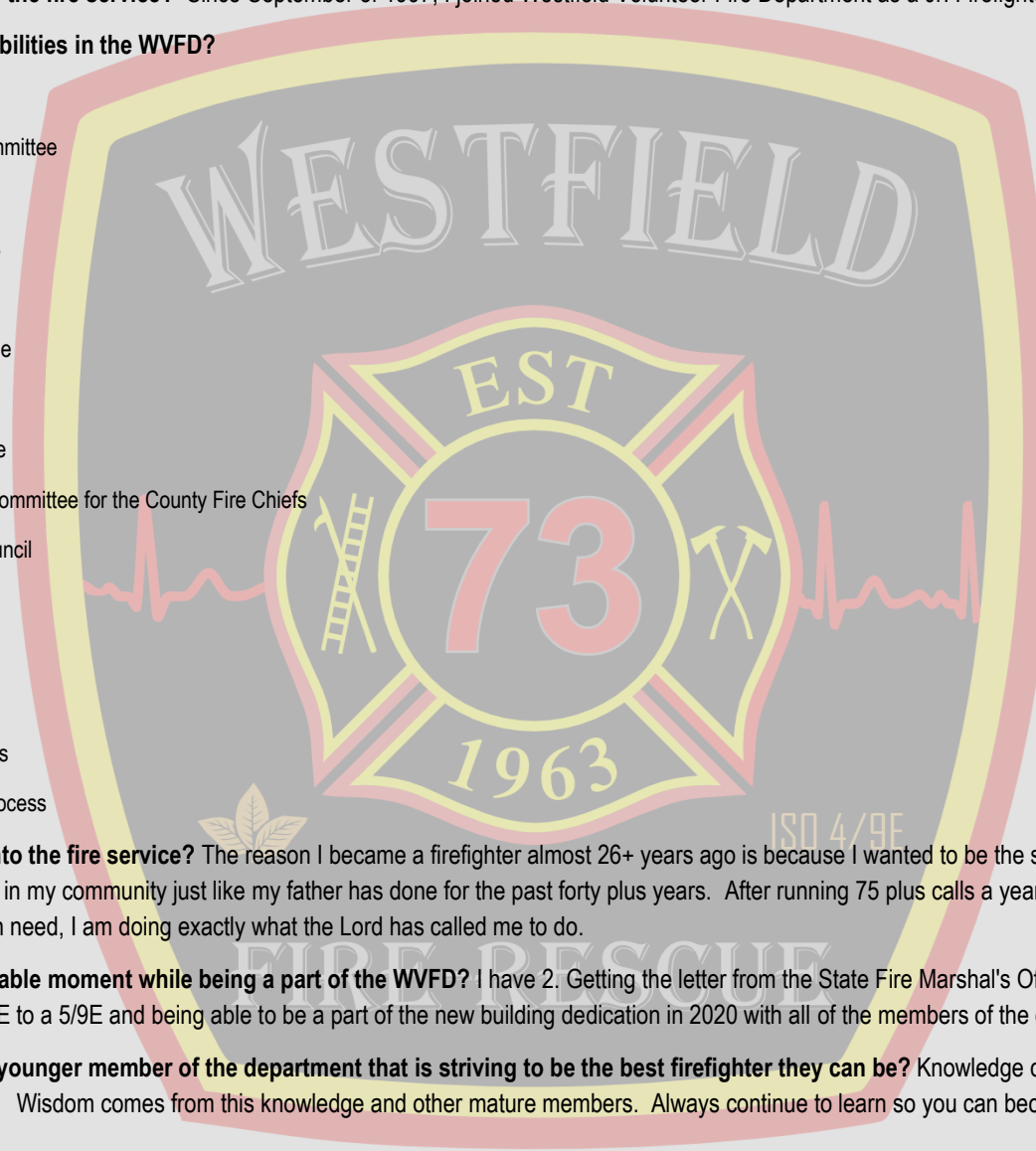
Officer responsibilities include:

- Leader of the ISO team
- Leader of the Toy Drive
- Leader of the State Fire Grant Process
- Leader of the State Forestry Grant Process

3. What were the reasons you got into the fire service? The reason I became a firefighter almost 26+ years ago is because I wanted to be the servant that the Lord calls all of us to be. I also wanted to make a difference in my community just like my father has done for the past forty plus years. After running 75 plus calls a year for the last 26 years, I have realized many need help and by serving them in need, I am doing exactly what the Lord has called me to do.

4. What has been your most memorable moment while being a part of the WVFD? I have 2. Getting the letter from the State Fire Marshal's Office saying we had dropped our department's insurance rating from a 9E to a 5/9E and being able to be a part of the new building dedication in 2020 with all of the members of the department.

5. What advice would you give to a younger member of the department that is striving to be the best firefighter they can be? Knowledge comes with experiences through training and real life situations. Wisdom comes from this knowledge and other mature members. Always continue to learn so you can become a mentor to the younger generation.



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

Advanced Firefighter Certificate

Bachelor of Science - Technology Education (Teaching), NC A&T University

Chief 101

CPR/AED

Class B CDL, w/ School Bus/Passenger Endorsements'

Emergency Vehicle Driver

FEMA Leadership I

Firefighter II

Fire Officer I

Hazardous Materials - Level I

NIMS ICS 700/800/100/200

Technical Rescuer with Specialties:

Machine and Agricultural

Vehicle Machinery

TIMS

