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I have lived in Caddo Parish all my life and all but seven years in Vivian. I was born in the old hospital where City Hall now sits on September 9, 1947.

A graduate of the Caddo Parish School System and North Caddo High School in 1965, I attended Baylor University for my freshman year of college. I then transferred to Louisiana Tech where I earned a B.A. in history in 1970.

After college graduation, I worked for the Louisiana Department of Revenue for ten months and then transferred to the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors. I was the only agent in Northwest Louisiana and the supervisor for the northern area of the state for over 33 years. My field was with commercial construction and ensuring that contractors were properly licensed for the jobs they were performing and following state laws. This required a broad scale of knowledge of how contractors operate. I remained in that position until I retired in 2004.

My wife and I attend Atlanta First United Methodist Church where we lead volunteers on our Early Response Disaster Team. Our work includes being there for the first cleanup to staying through the rebuilding. I have been involved in this area of mission work since 1999.

Our son teaches law and mock trial in the Frisco ISD, while our daughter is a school psychologist for the Marshall ISD.

We have two granddaughters who also have gone or are still in the Caddo Parish School System.

I believe my knowledge of state law and how construction works would be an asset to Ward 2.