


CHAD 
SPENCE
— **FOR** —
SHERIFF



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Chad Spence for Sheriff 2024

About



- I am 50 years old and a life long resident of St. Joseph County.
- Married to my wife, Kelly, for 27 years.
- 3 Children ages 23, 19, and 15.
- I enjoy hunting, fishing, golf, crossfit, and more importantly spending time with my family.
- Our families core values are faith, family, love, respect, and hard work.
- We continue to sit at the dinner table as a family and have meaningful conversations.

Education

- Mendon Jr/Sr High School
- Ferris State University
 - B.S. Degree Criminal Justice

Experience

Jan. 1997- Jan. 2022 St. Joseph County Sheriff's Office

- Patrol Deputy
- Narcotics Investigator
- Patrol Sergeant
- Detective Sergeant
- SRT/SWAT Commander
- St. Joseph County Major Crimes Scene Task Force
 - Co-Coordinator
 - Investigator
 - Crime Scene Investigator

Feb. 2022-Aug. 2022 St. Joseph County Jail Teacher

- Prepared inmates for success achieving their GED's

Aug. 2022-Present St. Joseph County CTE Instructor

- Preparing high school students for careers in Police, Fire, EMS, and 9-1-1 Dispatching

1992-Present Mendon Police Department

- Certified Part-Time officer

Three Rivers Police Department

- Reserve Officer

Commendations

- St. Joseph County Sheriff's Office
 - Employee of the Year
 - 2000
 - 2010
 - Employee of the Month
 - May 2003
 - February 2009
 - March 2010
- St. Joseph County Prosecutor's Office
 - 2014 Mike Scott Investigator of the Year
- Sturgis Department of Public Safety
 - Letters of Commendation
 - 2003
 - 2005
 - 2007
- Centreville Public Schools
 - 2023 Staff of the Month
 - March
 - April

Undersheriff



David Northrop

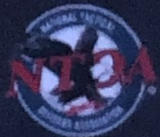
I am proud to announce David Northrop as my selection for undersheriff. Together we bring over 53 years of law enforcement leadership and experience. David is a man of faith, family, dedication, and hard work, which defines everything I stand for. We worked together early in my career and eventually he took on the leadership role for the Sturgis Department of Public Safety. David takes our team to a whole new level. His leadership and experience goes unmatched. Without a doubt, he and I will take the sheriff's office to a level never seen before.

Mission Statement

“It is my vision to create a new identity for the Sheriff’s Office. We want to create a culture in which the employees come to work everyday ready to serve the citizens of St. Joseph County. Organizational success begins with our core values of Leadership, Discipline, Professionalism, and Teamwork. We want our employees to be leaders in their discipline, which creates professionalism and builds a team. This ensures that we create a partnership with the citizens of St. Joseph County and the Sheriff’s Office.”

Advisory Committee

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