

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

ANNETTE BROWN

DIVISION CHIEF TALLAHASSEE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Annette Brown began her Firefighting experience with the Reserve Program of the Tallahassee Fire Department, and from this program she was hired as a career Firefighter in 1991. Chief Brown has had the opportunity to work in multiple components and ranks of the fire service. One of those areas was as a Field Training Officer (FTO) where she was able to help young firefighters understand and embrace the challenges of their careers. Chief Brown credits her

desire to see young people excel in life to her first officer who helped her to grow and excel. From that experience, she emphasizes the benefits of good officers in leadership roles. Chief Brown currently oversees the daily operation of the Fire Prevention Division, which consist of three departments: Building Code Compliance and Investigations, Public Educations, and New Construction Code Compliance. Each department has a specific area of expertise and provides services such as occupancy inspections, fire code enforcement, fire cause determination investigations, public education, and renovations fire code compliance. Chief Brown holds degrees in Fire Science Technology and Business Administration, along with other specialized training and certifications. Additionally, she is an ordained Minister and has a servants' heart.

Chief Brown has been married to Mr. Wilfred Brown for 35 years and they have two daughters, a son-inlaw, a Goddaughter, and four grandchildren. She enjoys altering baking recipes to make them her own in texture and taste. Chief Brown is known for her melt in your mouth pound cake.