

Edwards running for sheriff

My name is Bobby Edwards and I am an independent candidate for sheriff. I graduated from Warren County Senior High 1972. After high school, I enlisted in the United States Navy and received an honorable discharge after serving my country.

My law enforcement career started in 1989 at the Warren County Sheriff's Department as a jailor before becoming a deputy and attending the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in April of 1990. From 1994 to 1997 I worked as an investigator at the WCSD. In 1997 I went to work for the Murfreesboro Police Department as a patrolman until my retirement in 2013.



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While working at Murfreesboro Police Department, I received several letters of commendation, but my proudest award was when I was chosen as Murfreesboro's Office of the Year in 2012. I was selected from over 200 police officers.

From working at the Warren County Sheriff's Department and a large police Department in the city of Murfreesboro, I have gained valuable experiences different from all the other candidates. With over 22 years of law enforcement experience I feel I am very qualified to be your next sheriff.

As sheriff, I will implement new programs for children during the summer while school is out, such as Radkids for children 8-13 years of age. Being a former Radkids instructor, for Murfreesboro Police Dept., I have

seen first hand this program works. I will also focus on the recidivism rate of the inmates at Warren County Jail with faith-based programs that work.

The Warren Co Sheriff's Dept. is in need of a change. It's time for new leadership and a fresher perspective. We need more school resource officers to keep our schools safer. More patrol officers on the county roads for protection and better response times in the county. We have a police dept. that covers inside the city limits.

Although I worked for Murfreesboro Police Dept. I never truly left. I have lived here the entire time and drove back and forth. My wife Leah and I have five children between us. One still lives at home, one lives in Columbia, and three grown children who live right here. My grandchildren were raised here and now my great-grandson, and their futures are of great concern

to me. I want them to live in a place that is safe.

I am actively involved in my church (First Assembly of God), where my wife and I are members. We love our church family and I am thankful I live in a country where we are free to worship.

If I am elected I will do my very best to make sure my family and yours are safe and protected as possible. I am asking you to help me make a difference Aug. 2, by electing me Bobby Edwards your Warren County Sheriff.

Eldridge running in 10th

My name is Brandon Eldridge, and I am running to be the new representative in the 10th District of the Warren County Commission. The 10th District includes anyone who votes at Centertown CIC or Centertown United Methodist Church.



ELDRIDGE

I have been a public school teacher for nine years, and I currently teach advanced placement United States history, United States history, and criminal justice at Warren County High School. I am married to Lindsey (Prater) Eldridge, a speech-language pathologist for the Warren County School System, and we have a 4-year-old son, Carter. I am a graduate of Cumberland University with a bachelor of arts in criminal justice/ public administration and a master of arts in teaching and learning.

Warren County is currently at a pivotal

point in its history. This election will shape the future of our county for years by bringing in new elected officials and new commissioners countywide. It's time to stimulate economic growth, work toward decreasing our county's incarceration rate, repair public buildings, and continue to support the education of our children.

If elected as one of the 10th District County Commissioners, my mission is to serve as a leader in our community and promote individual responsibility and equal opportunity. I will share efficient and innovative ideas with the Board of Commissioners to better serve you, the citizens of Warren County. If you are seeking a New Voice for Warren County, I encourage you to vote for me, Brandon Eldridge, 10th District Commissioner.

43rd District Tennessee House DEMOCRAT



Les Trotman is running as a Democrat for the 43rd District Tennessee House of Representatives seat. He faces no opposition in August and advances to the state General Election in November.

Trotman eager to provide new direction for state

BY JAMES CLARK
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Les Trotman doesn't like the direction in which Tennessee state government is traveling.

Divisiveness is beginning to overtake rational decision making which is why he believes he can make a difference. A former Warren County Commissioner, Trotman is running for the 43rd District Tennessee House seat which covers about two-thirds of Warren County, and all of White and Grundy counties.

"We've gone down a path in our country we don't need to be going down any further," said Trotman during a *Southern Standard*/ WCPI political forum. "Our party system is not working. People are not talking across the aisles. We need someone in Nashville with integrity, strength and common sense."

Trotman is a Democrat running without opposition so he automatically advances to the state General Election in August.

Trotman's wife, Sherry, is a former principal in the Warren County School System. He has other family members who are teachers and he says, "We have to help them out."

When it comes to state spending, Trotman says he has heard several questions about increases in Tennessee government.

"I keep hearing about the budget going up every year," said Trotman. "I hate to say it but Republicans have had it for the last eight years and they're the ones who are taking it up. More than once, they took our Driver Testing Center. I keep hearing more and more about making government smaller and smaller and the thing we really need in this district is a fair, even playing field."

Trotman said by "even playing field" he means rural areas must not be forgotten. He says urban areas often get slathered with funding, but the smaller communities are forced to fight for every nickel. He said the road situation in Grundy County is a prime

example.

"They have been waiting 20 years for a four-lane highway in Grundy County and haven't seen one yet," said Trotman. "We've been waiting for a four-lane to Smithville and they've panned down the project. But Nashville is getting plenty of paving."

Trotman says he's running as a Democrat because he always has. When it comes to gun control, he says more comprehensive background checks are the answer, not fewer guns.

"We don't need gun control. We need better background checks," said Trotman, who told a story about a recent trip to buy a firearm and said he was granted the ability to buy any weapon in the store after a simple 10-minute background check.

"Why don't we allow deputies to put red flags on people's records?" he asked, referring to people with a known history of violence.

"I think I'm the best choice for a better district," he said in closing.

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