



I was born in Anchorage Alaska, then a city about the size of today's Ronan...I grew up and attended schools in Southern California.

My interest in law enforcement began when I was 8 and I was a member of LAPD's youth organization, the "Deputy Auxiliary Police". After graduation from High School, I attended community college courses in police sciences. At 21, I became a Reserve Police Officer for the City of Burbank. I volunteered over 3000 hours, I later served as a regular sworn policeman, working a total of 6 years with Burbank. I graduated the Riverside Sheriff's Academy in the top 15% of the class, attending the Los Angeles County Sheriff's "pursuit school" and LAPD's self-defense & baton training. I loved police work, but the lure and opportunity of business, was irresistible...

A fascination with aviation (inspired by my father's 38 year career with the FAA) resulted in a second vocation lasting another 20 years. I owned and /or managed three Piper dealerships and earned a Commercial Pilots license with advanced ratings. I was a member of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, and qualified as a crewman on the HC-130 aircraft. In this rewarding 25 year association, I volunteered hundreds of hours, serving the regular Coast Guard.

In 2016, I joined the Ronan Police Department as a Reserve Police Officer, and completed my reserve training at the Helena College. I serve in uniform assisting the citizens of Ronan.

In my spare time, I have restored two vintage police cars, a 1957 LAPD Ford, and a 1966 Dodge Burbank patrol car. I have called Montana home for almost four decades, with the latest years in Ronan. I share my life with my fiancée Leslie, my dog Ricco, and our cat Minka.

Officer Stentz R9