

Sergeant Chatman is a lifelong resident of Cherokee County, where he grew up and continues to call home with his wife, a registered nurse, and their three sons, ages fifteen, ten, and newborn.

He began his law enforcement career with the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office in 2009 as a reserve deputy and was later sponsored by Sheriff Jeff Shaver to attend the Jefferson County Police Academy, graduating with Session 22 in 2016. Following graduation, he served as a patrol officer with the Rainsville Police Department before joining the Town of Leesburg Police Department as an investigator.

In 2018, Sergeant Chatman became a K-9 handler with his partner K-9 Draco, after completing handler school through Alabama K-9. During his tenure in Leesburg, he worked in criminal investigations and narcotics, served on the Major Crimes Unit, and held certifications as both a Firearms Instructor and Less-Lethal Instructor.

In 2019, while serving with the Leesburg Police Department, Sergeant Chatman rescued a thirteen-year-old girl from drowning, an act of heroism for which he was presented with the Life Saving Award by the Town of Leesburg.

His professionalism and leadership led to his promotion to Assistant Chief, and later his appointment as Police Chief of Leesburg, where he served from 2021 to 2024.

In 2024, Sergeant Chatman returned to the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office as an Investigator, assigned to the Drug Crimes Unit. That same year, he graduated from both SWAT School and PIT School (Precision Immobilization Technique), expanding his tactical expertise and leadership skillset.

Sergeant Chatman has also attended Jacksonville State University, completing multiple advanced courses through JSU's Center for Applied Forensics, strengthening his investigative and forensic knowledge.

Throughout his distinguished career, Sergeant Chatman has played key roles in numerous high-profile investigations, demonstrated exceptional leadership, and consistently exemplified the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and service.

We are proud to welcome Sergeant Jamie Chatman to the Cedar Bluff Police Department, and we look forward to the continued impact of his dedication, experience, and commitment to the citizens of our community.”