

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR - 2008

VERNON GILMORE

Fire Inspector II – Fire Department

Education, Training & Licenses:

Vernon is a graduate of Polytechnic High School in Fort Worth. He received his Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences in Emergency Management in 1999 from the University of North Texas. He also served in the United States Marine Corps (2 years active; 4 years reserve). Vernon has training as a Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist, Public Information Officer, Ham Radio Operator – General Class, and is a Storm Spotter. He has the following licenses/certifications: Master Firefighter, Master Fire Inspector, Master Arson Investigator, Master Crash/Fire Rescue, and Master Peace Officer.

Employment Background & Experience:

Vernon worked as a Fire Protection Specialist at Six Flags Over Texas from 1976-1981. From 1981-1983, he worked as a Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal-Firefighter for the City of Mansfield. From 1983-2002, Vernon held many positions in the Addison Fire Department (Shift Commander/Captain, Assistant Chief, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal, Fire Investigator, and Fire Inspector).

Awards, Recognition, & Associations:

Vernon is a member of the North Texas Fire Investigators Association, Fire Protection Association of North Texas, Tarrant County Fire Investigators Association, and the Metroplex Fire Safety Educators Association (Vice-President). In 2005, the Euless Fire Department awarded him with the Outstanding Service Award. He was also the 2006 Employee of the Year in the Euless Fire Department.

