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**ANDERSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**SHERIFF PAUL N. WHITE**

June 16, 2010

#### **Death of Deputy Sheriff Patsy Ward**

It is with much sadness to inform of the death of Deputy Sheriff Patsy Ward, 60, of the Anderson County Sheriff's Department. Patsy passed away yesterday, Tuesday June 15, at her home after complications from a recent surgery.

A veteran officer, Deputy Patsy Ward began her law enforcement career with the Sheriff's Department in January of 1985. Patsy served as a patrol deputy, in civil process, and for the last several years as a school resource officer.

Patsy's calling as a law enforcement officer was working in the schools. She was loved by her "kids", their parents, and the school faculty. Patsy loved them as well. She was a mentor and a friend to all of her students. Patsy could be seen at school sports events and even helped as a coach. Nothing gave Patsy more enjoyment than helping those around her. She will truly be missed by all.

The family will receive friends at Sharp Funeral Home, 209 Roane Street in Oliver Springs, from 5:00pm until 9:00pm on Saturday June 19.

Law enforcement officers and friends will meet at Sharp Funeral Home in Oliver Springs at 1:30pm on Sunday, June 20, for the funeral at 2:00pm. A procession to Frost Bottom Cemetery will follow.

Please keep the family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

**Sheriff Paul White**