



I am a West Virginia native, born and raised in Fairmont West Virginia. After graduation from East Fairmont High School, I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Fairmont State College in 1989.

My first job in the insurance industry was selling personal indemnity insurance for Combined Insurance Company. I did that for about a year, and then was hired as a claims adjuster for Crawford and Company, an independent adjusting company. I attended a one month adjuster school in Atlanta, GA and received several certifications. I worked for Crawford and Company for a year and a half, and then an opportunity to be a staff adjuster for Erie Insurance opened up.

I enjoyed my five year stay with Erie Insurance Group, leaving to move to northern New Jersey. I was a commercial general liability field claim specialist for Hartford Insurance Company. I had a nice one year stay there, but the hills of West Virginia called me home when Farmers Mutual Insurance Company asked me to interview for their very first staff adjuster position. I happily accepted the job when it was offered to me, and since then, my duties have grown to include the marketing representative's job, as well as doing underwriting inspections. I have also designed many of our informational brochures.

My wife Wanda is a respiratory therapist at WVU Hospital, and we reside on Bunnors Ridge near Fairmont. Our dog Chunk completes our family. I enjoy sports (especially WVU athletics), reading, playing horseshoes and traveling our beautiful state.