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Fox and Whitefield Retire After Years of Dedicated Service

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – November 16, 2017, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office is saying goodbye to two of their most beloved employees. Bryan Whitefield and Pam Fox have been with this administration from the beginning. A celebration was held in their honor on Wednesday at the Sheriff's Office where they were presented with commemoration plaques.

"It has been a distinct honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Putnam County," Whitefield reflected.

After 30 years of devoted service with the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, Investigator Bryan Whitefield is retiring. Whitefield joined the Sheriff's Office in 1987. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2008, and he became an Investigator in 2016. During his time at the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, he served in the departments of Patrol and the Criminal Investigation Division.

Major Terry Hembree, who leads the Criminal Investigation Division at the Sheriff's Office, gives us some insight into what it's like working with Investigator Bryan Whitefield.

"Bryan is an icon at the Sheriff's Office. He served the people of Putnam County for three decades under three different administrations. He is well respected amongst his peers and colleagues. He served with pride and distinction, and with compassion. He was always available to help out, even when it wasn't expected of him. It's been a pleasure and an honor working with Bryan, and he will be greatly missed.

It isn't all sadness though. Mrs. Fox has some important plans for her retirement.

"I am looking forward to spending more time with my family, especially my grandson Oakley."

Mrs. Pam Fox has worked for the Sheriff's Office for 16 years. Mrs. Fox served as a records clerk and as a book keeper during her time with the Sheriff's Office.

"The Sheriff's Office will be a different place without Pam's sweet smile and sense of humor, but I'm glad that she is getting to spend more time with her family. I know how important that is to her," said Shannon Lee.

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“We are eternally grateful to Bryan and Pam for their service to this agency and the citizens of Putnam County. As long as I am Sheriff, this agency will remain your home. You will always be welcome,” Sheriff Eddie Farris said yesterday at the retirement celebration held in Whitefield and Fox’s honor.

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