



## BEHIND THE BADGE

*"Mississippi's law enforcement are the best in the nation. Time and time again, these brave men and women answer the call to protect and serve, putting their lives on the line to protect ours. The Secretary of State's Office is proud to honor their service to our great State."*

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### Charles Lanphere

Captain | *Hernando Police Department*

Captain Charles Lanphere has been in law enforcement for 15 years and feels blessed in many ways.

"One such blessing is the opportunity to serve my community, which has allowed me to get to know the people within it on a personal level," Lanphere said. "I have also been blessed to serve with some of the best and brightest professionals in my field."

Lanphere's wife, a police officer with a neighboring agency, and his son make up the supportive family that has always been there for him. They are his life.

"Because of the hours we work, we try to make the most of our time off, said Lanphere. "We enjoy traveling with each other and spending time with our family.

At the end of the day, Lanphere can always count on his Golden Retriever, Hunter, to meet him at the door. He enjoys fishing on local lakes or taking trips to the Gulf Coast for saltwater fishing.

"I am a member of a local Methodist Church, says Lanphere, "and have found a truly rewarding relationship with the Lord."

Lanphere looks forward to a future role in his department and appreciates the opportunity to speak about his profession and family.



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*Lanphere gives credit to a supportive family for always being there for him, and his dog, Hunter, for always greeting him at the door.*