



Professional Profile

Randy was born and raised in Houston, TX; He is a father of three daughters and a member of St. Martins Episcopal Church. His formal education includes an Associate of Arts in Business Administration, a Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice, and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice Management from Boston University. He graduated from the renowned FBI National Academy Session 224 in Quantico, VA.

Chief Smith has 35-years of law enforcement experience, twenty of those years as a Texas coastal police chief. Randy's early career included working as an officer in Houston in the field of patrol, criminal warrants, mental health, and the juvenile division. In late 1997, Randy was appointed as Police Chief for Surfside Beach, TX, where for a little over 12-years he remained as the city's Police Chief, EMS Director and the Island's Emergency Management Coordinator. For the past 8 years Randy has been the Police Chief here with the City of South Padre Island. Chief Smith has acquired many certificates and licenses throughout his career and some of these include; a Master Peace Officer license, Jailer, Police Instructor, Mental Health Officer, Marine Safety Officer, Scuba Dive Search and Rescue certificate. He also has trained as an Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) and is currently NIMS compliant.

Chief Smith is a past Secretary/Treasurer for the Southeast Police Chief's Association and a past Vice-President for the Treasure Island Municipal Utility District (MUD) located at San Luis Pass. Randy previously sat on the Board of Curriculum for the Brazosport College Law Enforcement Academy. He is currently a board member at the Texas Southmost College Criminal Justice Institute for curriculum and standards, member of the Texas Police Chief Assn. and the South Texas Chapter FBI-NA Assn.