

THOMAS WAYNE HAYES

(Tommy Hayes)

Resume

I was born in 1956, and grew up in Perry, MO, which is in Northeast Missouri. I married Patti Ogle (Hayes) in 1979.

We were introduced to the Missouri Foxtrotter in 1980 by my friend and co-worker William (Bill) Oglesby and he encouraged Patti and I to go to horse shows. In those days you could haul to a show every weekend and not have to drive more than two hours. Sadly, in Northeast Missouri, those days are gone.

When the brick plant Bill and I worked at closed its doors, I went into law enforcement, a career I enjoyed for the next 32 years. I started in law enforcement when I went to work for the Hannibal Police Department as a patrolman, and then worked for the Ralls County Sheriff's Office as chief deputy. Later I went to work for the Missouri Department of Public Safety, ATC (Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Control) for 25 years as Special Agent and eventually retired in 2012.

In 2001 we built a boarding stable in rural Hannibal, MO that offered boarding, a performance show arena and trail riding. We continued showing and trail riding Missouri Foxtrotters and joined the NEMO Chapter of Back Country Horsemen and rode hundreds of miles marking and clearing trails in the Mark Twain Lake area.

Patti and I have been coming to Ava to horseshows since 1980 and moved to Ava, MO in 2019 after she retired. Since moving to Ava, I have tried to help the association in any way that I can as a volunteer on the show grounds.

As Vice President I would encourage membership, registration and transfer of versatility, trail, and performance horses by adding value to the membership. A popular way to do this would be to bring back the Journal. Another would be more accountability to the membership from the board and its committees.

Affiliations:

Lifetime member of MFTHBA

Former President and Board Member of the St. Louis Regional Foxtrotters Affiliate

MFTHBA Judges Card Holder

DQP Apprentice Card Holder

Member of Douglas County Foxtrotters

Member of Douglas County Back Country Horseman