

Michael Housel Bio

I am a retired Army First Sergeant with 27 years in service (12 active and 15 Reserve). I was in the infantry and a combat medic receiving several awards including the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (4), Army Achievement Medal (12), Good Conduct Medal (9), National Defense Service Medal (3), Global War on Terrorism Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, NCO PDR (5).

I have also served as a teacher in three different states for a period of 27 years in the areas of music, history, driver education and administration. While serving as a teacher I was also a licensed EMT for 15 years. Currently I am a K-5 Counselor in Badlands and Fox Hills Elementary Schools in Watford-City.

I am a husband of 27 years to my wife Amanda (who is the oldest daughter of David Watkins, a former great pioneer, historian, and antique collector in Dunn County) and a father of six (4 girls/2 boys), all grown with my 9-year-old still at home. I love to build with my hands, farm, and travel.

I look forward to helping on the museum board at Dunn County. Most of my years in the military prepared me to be a leader and I specialize in Human Resource Management. I like to fix things that are broken, and I am not afraid to speak out against things that I don't agree with.