



2009 Police Officer of the Year
Officer Doug Williams

Officer Doug Williams has been on the Rock Island Police Department since May, 2000. Off Williams' hometown is Rock Island, graduated from Rocky in 1988, and attended Blackhawk College. Off. Williams was employed for six years with the Kirksville, Missouri Police Dept. where he was a Field Training Officer, DARE Officer, and rotating detective. He is married to his wife, Wendy, and they have two children, Ethan, 6, and Parker, 3. Officer Williams enjoys family time, hunting, fishing, and biking.

Officer Williams is currently assigned to Third Watch. He is a former C.A.P.E. (Community Assisted Police Enforcement) officer and is currently a Bicycle Officer, Firearms Instructor, and Intoxilyzer Operator. He connects very well with the community as well as his fellow officers and makes a special attempt to connect with children as demonstrated with his involvement in the Bike Rodeos. He is often assigned citizen ride-alongs due to his exceptional knowledge of police duties and personal charisma with the public.

He will identify a problem area of crime and seek to solve it with innovative techniques such as "Special Assignments." He was given a Certificate of Appreciation for his exceptional DUI enforcement in June 2008 by the "Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists" organization. He led his shift in traffic citations issued and fourth in total arrests, of which a great number were self-initiated. In January, 2008, he arrested a subject for drug possession which ended up being adopted for Federal charges.

Off. Williams has unquestioned integrity and moral values. He is highly respected by the public and his peers. He projects the image of what a police officer should be.