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Ambulance Emergency

911

**Clinic Appointments** 

276-2400

Hospital Information 276-3347

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276-1542

Community Resources

211

Domestic Violence Help

**276-2042** Hotline - 226-6424

Growers Market **276-9410** 

## EMS/Fire Brigade's Medics Relate Well to Patients

## Shelby Baker, EMT

Shelby Baker, EMT, takes pride in her ability to converse gently with patients in the back of the ambulance. She helps ease their discomfort, whether adult or child, on the way to the hospital.

Baker is especially conversant on the topic of sports. Volleyball, track, basketball, softball, roping, barrel racing – she played them all during her childhood and youth in Valley View, TX.

In 2017, her brother-in-law invited her to join the volunteer fire department. "I thought I would be handling paperwork then they called me out on a grass fire. I fell instantly in love with the field of emergency services," she said.



Baker joined Love County EMS/Fire Brigade in June 2018. After

two months as a first aid attendant at WinStar Casino, she transferred to the ambulance unit at Station 2. She is halfway through paramedic school at Grayson County College.

## **Christopher Ramsey, Paramedic**

True to his upbringing on Army posts and his own period of military service, Paramedic Christopher Ramsey goes about his duties with diligence. As "squared away" as his flattop haircut, the former soldier inspires confidence from patients and coworkers.

"I like this field. I enjoy helping people, and I have a knack for relating to them. It's like solving a puzzle in a short time," he said.

Ramsey will celebrate 25 years as a paramedic in 2020. He also has experience as a training officer for newcomers to the field. He has been answering ambulance calls from Station 1 on hospital grounds since October 2018.

Ramsey's mother and father both served in the U.S. Army. They

adopted Christopher as an infant, in Tampa, FL. Ramsey graduated from high school in South Carolina then enlisted. His eight years of Army service included 12 months deployed with a combat unit for Operation Desert Storm in Iraq.

"I wasn't needed as a combat medic but they did give me a short course and I thought the training was sort of neat. I used my G.I. Bill to go to Norman/Moore Vo Tech and earn paramedic licensure," Ramsey said.

His career took him to ambulance services in Norman, Ada, and Pauls Valley.

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