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She did it again.

Sgt. Jody Trumble was named the Burleson Police Department's 2015 Supervisor of the Year. In her 17-plus years with the department she has been thrice-honored. Trumble earned the 2000 Employee of the Year and the 2010 Supervisor of the Year honor. The 2015 award was presented at the department's banquet on Feb. 25.

"I am humbled and thankful to those officers who work with me," she said. "I am amazed daily by their incredible drive and determination. The things these officers go through every day . . . and to still come in with a smile on their face and ready to serve . . . would amaze anyone. The opportunity I was given to lead such a great group of officers has truly been an incredible journey."

According to the nomination letter, the sergeant was recognized for her dedication "to improving the department by mentoring and training officers to the highest standards. She pushes officers to seek out training and remain abreast of the constant changing trends in law enforcement and the police profession. Sgt. Trumble has a vested interest in the department and the community and strives to ensure that the department serves the community well through the supervision of officers assigned to her watch."

The 41-year-old native of Ionia, Michigan, was hired by the Burleson Police Department in October 1998, after she served five years on active military duty in security forces with the United States Air Force.

She worked as a dispatcher for the Burleson Police Department, 1998-2003. During that time she was called back to active duty after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, as a member of the 610th Security Forces Squadron. Trumble's rank in the Air Force was staff sergeant. She served at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada; Canadian Forces Base-Cold Lake, Alberta; MacDill Air Force Base in Florida; San Vito de Normanni Air Base in San Vito, Italy; Keflavik Naval Air Station in Iceland and Ali Al Salem Air Base in Kuwait.

Public safety is strong in Trumble's family. Both parents are now retired, but her father was a volunteer fire chief in Lyons and Muir, Michigan, and her mother

dispatched for the Ionia County Sheriff's office in Michigan. Both parents were EMTs on the volunteer ambulance service.

For a few years, the honoree played a dual role, working as a Burleson Police dispatcher and as a volunteer firefighter with the Burleson Fire Department. In September 2003 Trumble made the leap and entered the police academy. She graduated from the North Central Texas Regional Police Academy in February 2004.

Trumble served as a patrol officer in Burleson, 2004-2007; detective, 2007-2010; and then was promoted to patrol sergeant in July 2010. Trumble is a field training officer, Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) instructor, and serves as a hostage negotiator on the department's crisis negotiations team.

She points to Captain Melvin McGuire and Sgt. Bob Sherman as her mentors.

"I've worked with them through my entire career in Burleson. Capt. McGuire was on the midnight shift when I started in dispatch and he was the sergeant when I was in criminal investigations division," Trumble said. "Sgt. Sherman and I work together on the crisis negotiations team. Sgt. Sherman has always had sound advice for me when I was at a crossroads in my career."