Carl Shoupe

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Service, education and employment

United States Marines, Corporal, active duty 1964-1968

United States Steel Corporation, underground coal miner, 1969-1970

Severely injured in a mining accident, 1970

Associates Degree in the Arts from the University of Kentucky, 1972-1974

United Mine Workers of America, research assistant, 1974-5

United Mine Workers of America, field organizer, 1975-1986

Disabled since 1986 due to complications from original coal mining injury

Benham City Council, served two 2-year terms in the 1990's

Benham Power Board member, a municipally owned electric utility, 2015-present

Active in the **Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)** throughout the 1990's, including serving as District Junior Vice Commander and various local posts

Member of Kentuckians For The Commonwealth (KFTC) since 2006, including service on statewide Executive Committee and leadership posts in the Harlan County chapter

Helped launch the **Benham\$aves program**, an innovative way to finance residential energy efficiency retrofits, creating local jobs while saving residents and the city money, 2015-present

Participated in a KFTC **delegation to a coal mining region in Australia's Hunter Valley**, February 2019, meeting with community leaders, elected officials and miners working on their transition from coal.

Member of the **Masonic Lodge** in Benham, Kentucky

Member of Blair Primitive Baptist Church since 2009

Grandfather of 8 wonderful children