

## Blue Ridge Mountain EMC 2024 Board of Director Candidate Biographies

### Fannin County, Ga.



#### **Gayland Trull**

Gayland Trull is a resident of Fannin County. His career has been in aviation which led him to many opportunities in serving the public. In 2014, Trull retired from Southwest Airlines. He works part-time with the Fannin County Sheriff's Office as a bailiff in court services. Trull serves as president of the Western Carolina Youth Aviation Foundation and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Blue Ridge Mountain EMC.

### Towns County, Ga.



#### **Roy Perren**

Roy Perren, a resident of Towns County, seeks reelection to the BRMEMC Board of Directors having first been elected in 2015. Roy retired after 31 years in education, 19 in leadership in Towns County in 2023. Roy's wife Kim is counselor at Woody Gap School. Additionally, Roy was recently elected to the Towns County School Board

Roy is well known across the area for his Elvis performances and singing Southern Gospel and Classic Country music.

Perren states, "I am excited, honored and humbled to have served the membership and employees of BRMEMC on the Board of Directors over the past nine years and seek to continue to serve. With over 30 years' experience in leadership, and nine years' experience on the BRMEMC Board, I seek to continue to serve our members as a director of Blue Ridge Mountain EMC."

### Union County, Ga.



#### **Jack Lance, Jr.**

Jack Lance Jr. is a lifelong resident of Union County and a licensed real estate attorney in Georgia and North Carolina. He attended Young Harris College before obtaining a Bachelor's Degree from Georgia State University. Upon completion of his degree, Jack worked as a Special Assistant to U.S. Senator Zell Miller. Jack later obtained his Juris Doctorate degree from Mercer University and returned home to practice law. He previously served as an Adjunct Professor of Business Law at Young Harris College. Jack currently serves as a Director for the BRMEMC and is a Credentialed Cooperative Director through the NRECA. Previously, he graduated from the Georgia Academy for Economic Development and the Union County Chamber Leadership Union program. Jack also served as Chairman of the Union County High School Governance Team. Jack is married to Carmen Smith Lance of Murphy, NC. Their son, Jack Collins Lance III, was born in 2018.