

As a life-long resident of Ashe County, **RICHARD C. BLACKBURN** is aware of the county's needs and opportunities. It is necessary to have a **VISION** of where Ashe County is now, where its citizens want to go, obstacles that exist, and how these can be overcome. Long-range planning can reveal what people want the future of Ashe County to look like and let that guide future decisions and actions.

RICHARD C. BLACKBURN subscribes to **LEADERSHIP** that is positive, progressive, builds consensus, invites input, assures openness, and promotes harmony and cooperation. He expects to be accountable, compassionate, responsible and fair. **SERVICE** shall be this candidate's objective for ALL Ashe County citizens.


Experience and Community Involvement

- Retired teacher and school principal - 33 years
- Alderman, Town of Jefferson - 11 years
- Ashe County Board of Education - 4 years
- High Country Council of Government Board Member - 13 years; Executive Board Member - 7 years; Also served as chairman
- Member of Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church
- Charter member and served on the Board of Directors of the Ashe County Christmas Tree Association
- Ashe County Commissioner from 2002–2010; Served as chairman - 2 years
- Appointed by Governor to serve on two state-wide committees: Twenty-First Century Transportation Board
- Awarded The Order of the Long Leaf Pine by governor in 2011
- Have previous work experiences with the National Park Service, United States Postal Service, and Appalachian State University

Current Community Services

- Member of the Ashe County Public Library Board, and Chairman of Ashe Services for Aging Board

Ashe County has a proud past.

A  **Vote** for

Richard Blackburn
will help promote a promising
future for
Ashe County