

## *Jim Preston*



East Adams Rural Hospital and District Clinics would like to introduce James Preston, our highlighted employee this week.

James Preston is an EMT, for Ritzville, at East Adams Rural Hospital. His responsibilities include caring for and transporting patients on the ambulance and assisting the hospital staff when needed in the emergency room. He has worked at EARH since May of 1999.

Jim was born in Spokane and moved to Ritzville with his parents when he was 5 years old. He has one brother. Jim and his wife have two daughters and three grandchildren (two grandsons and one granddaughter.)

Jim decided to go into healthcare to provide a service that the community needs and because of his proximity to the hospital. The best thing about his position is helping the patients that are in need of emergency care.

Jim's goal is to enjoy retirement and so far he says it is working. His greatest accomplishment is having served a 30 year career in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Outside of work, he is a member of the Library Board, enjoys working in harvest, being Santa, and participating in community events including the fair, rodeo, and parade. His hobbies include reading and high school sports. Jim is very proud of our community and the people that support it. Jim says, "**A great place to live!**"