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Kenda Tribble's career aspirations leaned toward the medical field but when she moved with her family to the Powell Ranger District in central Idaho the Forest Service became her career of choice. For the next 29 years she held various positions at several Forest Service locations.

In 1972, Kenda received her Associate degree as a Medical Technician from St. Mary's Medical Jr. College in Minneapolis, MN. She received a Bachelor's degree from Lewis Clark State College in Lewiston in 1989 in Interdisciplinary General Studies with emphasis on Human Resource Management.

From 1978 – 1986, she worked for the Powell and Canyon Ranger Districts and the Supervisors Office on the Clearwater National Forest. In 1986, she started her Personnel career advancing to a Human Resources Specialist for the Nez Perce National Forest in 2002, the position she held when she retired. She detailed to the Albuquerque Service Center, Human Capital Management group from August through November, 2007.

Kenda and her husband, Bob will continue to live in Orofino with their dog, Rowdy. They operate Trib's Place Bed and Breakfast and Robert Tribble Photography businesses. Bob and Kenda have 4 sons between them and 3 grandsons.

Travel in the United States and Europe is in Kenda's plans. She said "it's time to get to exploring new places". Gardening, fishing, golfing, and reading are high on her list of activities when not traveling.

When asked about her employment highlights she said “It’s been a privilege and pleasure to work for Jane Cottrell (Forest Supervisor, Nez Perce National Forest) and her staff.” In her true gracious nature she retired with these parting words “ When I look back on my career I have no regrets; only gratitude for the wonderful opportunities that have come my way by being a part of this agency. The people part of my job was the very best thing and I will miss that more than anything”.

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