

**YAVAPAI COUNTY SHERIFFS**  
**1864 Territory Divided into four (4) Counties**  
**& Judicial Districts Established**

| <i>Name of Sheriff</i>       | <i>Term Started</i>    | <i>Term Ended</i> | <i>Reason</i> | <i>Born</i> | <i>Died</i> |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Van Ness Cummings Smith   | 05/26/1864 – Appointed | 02/18/1865        | Resigned      | 07/12/1837  | 08/29/1914  |
| 2. Jerome Calkins            | 02/18/1865             | 01/24/1866        | Resigned      | 1830        |             |
| 3. John T. Bourke            | 01/24/1866 – Appointed | 06/31/1867        | DNR           | 1827        | 03/06/1868  |
| 4. Andrew J. Moore           | 07/01/1867             | 01/21/1868        | Resigned      |             | 05/01/1885  |
| 5. John L. Taylor            | 01/21/1868 – Appointed | 12/31/1870        | DNR           |             |             |
| 6. John H. Behan             | 01/01/1871             | 12/31/1872        | DNR           | 10/23/1844  | 06/07/1912  |
| 7. James S. Thomas           | 01/01/1873             | 01/05/1874        | Absconded     |             |             |
| 8. Henry M. Herbert          | 01/17/1874 – Appointed | 12/31/1874        | DNR           |             | 09/16/1895  |
| 9. Edward F. Bowers          | 01/01/1875             | 12/31/1878        | Defeated      | 06/27/1838  | 01/05/1879  |
| 10. John R. Walker           | 01/01/1879             | 12/31/1882        | DNR           | 04/30/1832  | 02/26/1897  |
| 11. Jacob Henkle             | 01/01/1883             | 12/31/1884        | DNR           |             |             |
| 12. William J. Mulvenon      | 01/01/1885             | 12/31/1888        | DNR           | 10/25/1853  | 05/26/1915  |
| 13. William “Bucky” O’Neill  | 01/01/1889             | 12/31/1890        | DNR           | 02/02/1860  | 07/01/1898  |
| 14. James R. Lowry           | 01/01/1891             | 12/31/1894        | DNR           |             | 07/16/1918  |
| 15. George C. Ruffner (D)    | 01/01/1895             | 12/31/1898        | DNR           | 11/16/1862  | 07/23/1933  |
| 16. John L. Munds (D)        | 01/01/1899             | 12/31/1902        | DNR           | 10/04/1868  | 03/02/1953  |
| 17. Joseph I. Roberts (R)    | 01/01/1903             | 12/31/1904        | Defeated      | 01/03/1865  | 06/17/1925  |
| 18. James R. Lowry           | 01/01/1905             | 12/31/1908        | DNR           |             | 07/16/1918  |
| 19. James W. Smith           | 01/01/1909             | 12/31/1911        | DNR           |             |             |
| 20. Charles C. Keeler (R)    | 01/01/1912             | 12/31/1914        | Defeated      | 04/13/1859  |             |
| 21. Joseph F. Young (D)      | 01/01/1915             | 12/31/1918        | DNR           | 02/08/1871  | 09/20/1941  |
| 22. Warren G. Davis (R)      | 01/01/1919             | 09/05/1922        | Died          | 12/29/1875  | 09/05/1922  |
| 23. Joseph P. Dillon         | 09/06/1922 – Appointed | 12/31/1922        | DNR           | 07/12/1864  | 12/11/1933  |
| 24. George C. Ruffner (D)    | 01/01/1923             | 12/31/1924        | Defeated      | 11/16/1862  | 07/23/1933  |
| 25. Edwin G. Weil (R)        | 01/01/1925             | 12/31/1926        | Defeated      | 09/25/1870  | 08/05/1935  |
| 26. George C. Ruffner (D)    | 01/01/1927             | 07/23/1933        | Died          | 11/16/1862  | 07/23/1933  |
| 27. Robert M. Robbins (R)    | 07/29/1933 – Appointed | 12/31/1940        | Defeated      | 05/16/1882  | 05/15/1957  |
| 28. Willis Butler (D)        | 01/01/1941             | 12/31/1946        | Defeated      | 11/04/1910  | 11/30/1948  |
| 29. Orville D. Bozarth (D)   | 01/01/1947             | 12/31/1954        | DNR           | 12/13/1886  | 09/29/1976  |
| 30. James G. Cramer (D)      | 01/01/1955             | 12/31/1962        | Defeated      | 06/18/1914  | 09/22/1992  |
| 31. G.A. “Al” Ayars (R)      | 01/01/1963             | 08/31/1974        | Resigned      | 07/18/1921  | 12/11/2007  |
| 32. Robert H. Scott (R)      | 09/01/1974 – Appointed | 12/31/1976        | Defeated      | 03/01/1931  | 06/08/2015  |
| 33. H. “Curly” Moore (R)     | 01/01/1977             | 12/31/1988        | Defeated      | 08/16/1928  | 03/02/2015  |
| 34. G.C. “Buck” Buchanan (R) | 01/01/1989             | 12/31/2004        | DNR           | 03/10/1942  |             |
| 35. Roy “Steve” Waugh (R)    | 01/01/2005             | 06/02/2011        | Retired       | 09/25/1945  |             |
| 36. Scott Mascher (R)        | 06/03/2011 – Appointed | present           |               | 08/27/1961  |             |

**DNR** = Did not run for office or was not on General Election ticket in November of that Year.

**R** = Republican Party

**D** = Democratic Party