



# EXPERT SPOTLIGHT

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## MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

One time while investigating a residential fire, a family asked me to find a wedding ring in a room that was severely damaged. Finding this ring among all the debris would be extremely difficult, and I wasn't sure I'd be able to find it. After extensive digging, I eventually spotted the ring and returned it to the family.

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**SEEING THEIR EXCITEMENT WAS INCREDIBLE, AND IT WAS SO REWARDING TO PROVIDE A MOMENT OF JOY FOR THIS FAMILY WHO HAD JUST LOST EVERYTHING.**

## CARING COUNTS

I show how caring counts by being there for people after life-altering events.

“*Every fire I investigate is someone's worst day, so I always take the time to support those who were impacted and empathize with how they're feeling.*”

Whether I'm guiding people through the investigation process or just giving them space to vent, the least I can do is show them that I care and provide some sense of comfort after a fire.



*Based in Stuart, Florida, covering eastern Florida*

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**24**  
YEARS OF  
INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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**Residential, commercial structure, wildland, vehicle, equipment and marine fires**