

Chief of Police K.C. Myers 1957-1961

On Feb. 6, 1957 K.C. Myers was appointed Police Chief of Bartow, replacing Ellie Wilson, the Interim Chief appointed in 1956 after the resignation of Roscoe Thornhill in 1956. Wilson will return to his job as a patrol officer, which he prefers over that of Chief.

City Manager Odom chose Myers, of Tampa FL from about 15 applicants.

Chief Myers' experience includes: two years as a private detective, nine years as a deputy constable, and ten years as Chief Sheriff's deputy and one year as a Tampa Police Officer.

Myers, born in 1901, was a veteran of the First World War. He had worked in law enforcement for 28 years. In 1960 he suffered a heart attack, which led to his decision to resign in Feb. 1961.

Myers passed away on Feb. 1, 1970 at the age of 69. His daughter, Kay Myers graduated from Summerlin Academy in 1958, married Jackie Blocker and still lives in Bartow.

