



Joe Therrall Grist II (Joey) is a native of Bruce, Mississippi, but has lived in Tupelo for 19 years. He holds a bachelor's degree in Social Work from the University of Mississippi and served as a corpsman in the United States Navy. He also served in the Mississippi House of Representatives from 1996 – 2004. He currently serves as the Chief Financial Officer for the North Mississippi State Hospital.

He is a graduate of the Jim Ingram Community Leadership Institute, and recently served on the City of Tupelo's Comprehensive Plan Task Force. He also serves as treasurer of the Thomas Street Neighborhood Association.

Joey was raised in a law enforcement family. His father was investigator in North Mississippi for the Mississippi Highway Patrol, and his grandfather was Town Marshall of Bruce. His first cousin is also the Executive Director for the Mississippi Chiefs of Police Association.

Joey is married to the former KC Caldwell, a native of Tupelo and they have two sons – JT (21) and Jimmie (19). They are active members of Lee Acres Church of Christ, where Joey serves as an elder.