

2017 Clare Irish Festival

Grand Marshal

Tammy Teall

Owner of JT Bakers

The Clare Irish Festival Committee is happy to announce the 2017 Grand Marshal:

Tammy Teall.

Tammy is the Owner of JT Bakers. Tammy's family moved to Farwell in 1982 and she graduated from Farwell in 1986. She married Jim Teall later that year and they moved to Clare in 1989. She has raised her family of 8 children in the Clare community. She now boasts of 12 grandchildren with one more on the way. In 2002, Tammy bought the Alma Wholesale Bakery and moved the entire operation to Clare in 2009. In 2010, they opened the storefront at 127 W. Fourth Street. In addition, Tammy has been employed full time at Clare Public Schools. Tammy says that "by working at Clare Public Schools, it allows me to have first-hand knowledge of where the specific community needs are." "As a business owner, I feel I have a responsibility to help out our community and give back what God has given me. I want to make a positive impact in our community, which includes the surrounding areas of Farwell, Harrison, Coleman, Lake, Lake George & Gladwin." Tammy has been involved in so many different things within the community, by either sharing her time, talent or a donation. These are just a few of the organizations she supports: Clare Public Schools, Stone Soup-Farwell, Clare Cross County, Clare & Farwell Sports Boosters, numerous family benefits and many fundraisers. She also participates with Marketplace Connection. Marketplace Connection works with local vendors to connect them with the community they live in by giving back to local charities.

Tammy was very surprised and thrilled to be named this year's Grand Marshal, but then again, Tammy is very humble and is so giving because she just loves being a part of the community.