Steven J. Rundell has been a resident of Texas his entire life. He was born in Bellville but was raised in Austin by his father, a police officer, and mother, a teacher.

He attended John H. Reagan High School and later graduated from the University of Texas at Austin.

He has worked in both a commissioned and non-commissioned role for the Texas Department of Public Safety since 1987.

He received his commission as a state trooper in 1999 and was stationed in Houston where he lived and worked for five years until he promoted and transferred to the Texas-Mexico border region.

It was during that time he married his wife Judy, a computer network specialist who was also raised in Austin.

He currently serves as a Captain on the staff of the Chief of the Texas Highway Patrol at the Headquarters building in Austin and is the assistant to the head of the Department's commercial vehicle enforcement program. In addition, he serves as vice chair to the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's Training Committee. CVSA is an association of law enforcement and the commercial trucking industry of the United Sates, Mexico and Canada.

He has been honored to serve on ESD Board #1 for the Jollyville Fire Department since August of 2011.