



NC Elks Past State Presidents “Never Forgotten”



Departed Brothers-NCSEA Presidents

- 1939-40 P.C. Smith - High Point
- 1940-43 Clyde Glenn - Durham
- 1943-44 Curtis Perkins - Greenville
- 1944-45 W.A. Sams - Asheville
- 1945-46 Thad Eure - Raleigh
- 1946-47 Boyce Whitmire - Hendersonville
- 1947-48 Fred Richardson - Winston-Salem
- 1948-49 Staton Inscoe – Raleigh
- 1949-50 Ford Roberts – Hickory
- 1950-51 Max Rawlings – Greensboro
- 1951-52 George Skinner – Kinston
- 1952-53 C.D. Thomas – Charlotte
- 1953-54 Don Madigan – Southern Pines
- 1954-55 Raymond Fuson – New Bern
- 1955-56 Harley Olsen – Shelby
- 1956-57 Wiley Pritchett – High Point
- 1957-58 Norman Gold – Rocky Mount
- 1958-59 Norman Hutton – Hickory
- 1959-60 John Kernodle – Burlington
- 1960-61 E. A. Williams – Goldsboro
- 1961-62 Harvey Holmes – Gastonia
- 1962-63 Eugene Phillips – Winston-Salem
- 1963-64 Walter Hill - Raleigh
- 1964-65 Herbert Finck – Brevard
- 1965-66 J.D. Woodell – Greensboro
- 1966-67 A.J. Crane – Kinston
- 1968 Ken Knight – Winston-Salem
- 1968-69 Sol Hertzberg – Rocky Mount
- 1969-70 C.V. Thompson – Greensboro
- 1971-72 Garland Garrett – Wilmington
- 1972-73 John Sullivan – Southern Pines
- 1973-74 Kermit Hoffman – Gastonia
- 1975-76 John Nichols –Mount Airy
- 1976-77 Ernest Bell – Durham
- 1977-78 Ralph Pitts – Newton
- 1978-79 William “Bill” Goodwyn – Rocky Mount
- 1979-80 Paul Hampton – High Point
- 1980-81 O. J. Valentine – So. Pines
- 1981-82 Bill Allen - Newton
- 1982-83 H. Frank Oglesby – New Bern
- 1983-84 Gerald L. Coates – Greensboro
- 1986-87 Robert F. Bellomy – Wilmington
- 1987-88 Eb Kimbrell – Statesville
- 1989-90 Robert Russell – Brevard
- 1991-92 Thomas B. Wheeler – Greensboro
- 1993-94 A. W. “Gus” Tucker - Brevard
- 1994-95 Gilbert Teel – Raleigh
- 1996-97 William Bullock - Roxboro
- 2005-06 George W. Wheeler, Jr. – Brevard
- 2011-12 William E. Peloquin – Winston-Salem

NCSEA Reorganized in 1939



P. C. Smith

NCSEA President 1939-1940

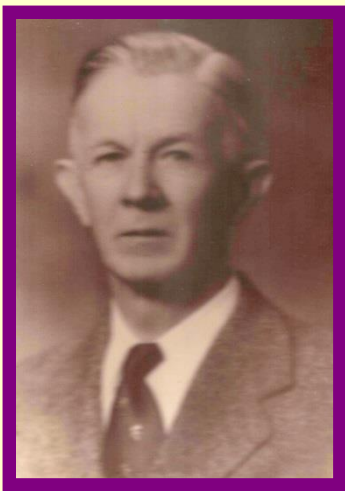
High Point



Thad Eure

NCSEA President 1945-1946

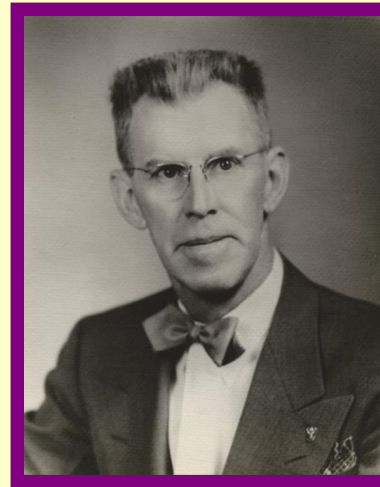
Raleigh



George Skinner

NCSEA President 1951-1952

Kinston



Raymond Fuson

NCSEA President 1954-1955

New Bern



Harley Olsen

NCSEA President 1955-1956

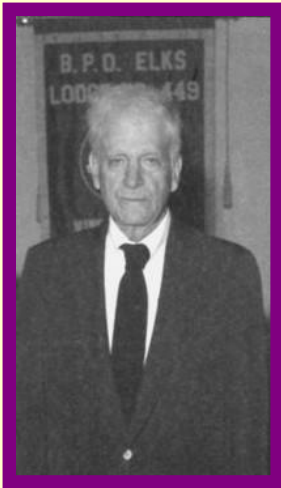
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Wiley R. Pritchett

NCSEA President 1956-1957

High Point



Eugene Phillips

NCSEA President 1962-1963

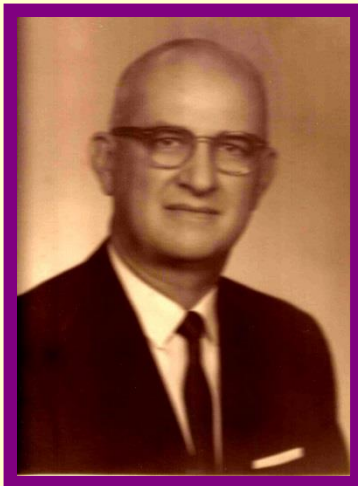
Winston-Salem



J. D. Woodell

NCSEA President 1965-1966

Greensboro



A. J. Crane

NCSEA President 1966-1967

Kinston



C. M. Adams

NCSEA President 1967-1968

Statesville



Garland Garrett

NCSEA President 1971-1972

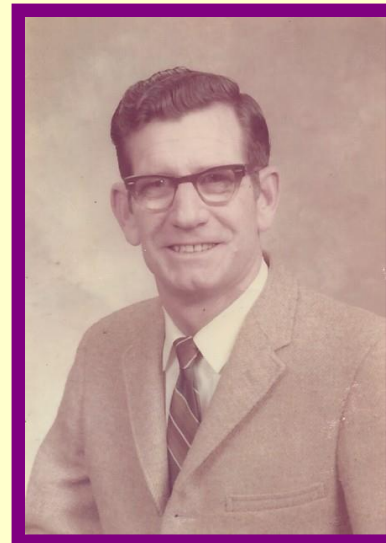
Wilmington



Ernest Bell

NCSEA President 1976-1977

Durham



Ralph Pitts

NCSEA President 1977-1978

Newton

Gerald L. Coates, Sr

NCSEA President 1983-1984



- Gerald L. Coates, Sr, 78, died Sunday February 18, 2007
- Born March 4, 1928
- Loving wife of 55 years Leatrice Purifoy Coates
- Grew up in Wake County where he graduated from Garner High School.
- He served in the United States Army
- A graduate of Wake Forest College in 1951.
- A Member of Irving Park United Methodist Church.
- Gerald's life long calling was the BPOE.
- Became an Elk at Greensboro Lodge No.602 June 1970.
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1979-80
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1989
- National Elks President (Grand Exalted Ruler) in 1996.
- GL Sponsor NC and SC Elks Associations 1997-2007
- Gerald has been described as a "Southerner...a statesman, a teacher, a patriot and a coach. Duty has been the hallmark of his steadfast career."
- Dedicated himself to the members of the BPOE.
- Gerald is survived by; Son, Dr. Gerald L. Coates, Jr.; Daughter, Gail Ann Coates Scoggin & Grandchildren Gerald Lee Coates, III, Anderson DuBose Coates, Maribelle Lea Scoggin & Margaret Ann Scoggin

Greensboro



Past Grand Exalted Ruler
Gerald L. Coates
NC SC Elks Grand Lodge Sponsor
1997-2007



John Dennis Sullivan

NCSEA President 1972-73



- John Dennis Sullivan, 92, died Tuesday May 23, 2005.
- Born in Philadelphia, Pa. October 25, 1912.
- Married Marianne Behnert in 1945.
- U.S. Army Veteran serving in World War II.
- Retired from Fletcher Industries Textile Machinery, continued as a consultant.
- Member of John Boyd Post VFW.
- Founding Member Sandhills Food Bank.
- Exalted Ruler Southern Pines Elks Lodge #1692 1963-64.
- Honorary Life Member Southern Pines Elks Lodge #1692
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1965-66.
- NC Elks State President 1972-773.
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1975.
- GL BPOE Lodge Activities Committee 1977-79.
- Served on many Lodge & NCSEA Committees
- NCSEA Secretary 1982-2001
- Very Proud of his GL Session attendance and enjoyed Elks National Home Tree Lighting Ceremonies in Bedford, Va. held each December.
- Survived by:
 - Daughters, Mary Ann Weatherspoon and Kathleen Grimm
 - Four grandchildren: Michael and Cristine Weatherspoon; Mary and Dennis Masten
 - Great Grandson, Timothy Logan and Granddaughter Denise Masten.

Southern Pines

Robert Franklin Bellomy

NCSEA President 1986-1987



Wilmington

- Robert Franklin Bellomy, 86, of Wilmington, NC died Wednesday, May 31, 2006.
- Born in Fredericksburg, VA, on August 15, 1919.
- Loving wife of 65 years, Marie S. Bellomy
- He attended school in Fredericksburg, VA, where he led his high school football team to 1936 state championship.
- Worked as a locomotive fireman for Western Maryland Railroad in Hagerstown, MD.
- Served in the Army during World War II. Attended OCS at Camp Davis, NC and was commissioned in the Army AAA. Retired from the US Army Reserves and was a member of the Reserve Officer's Association.
- Worked many years at Raney Chevrolet and retired from McMillan Buick in 1980.
- Exalted Ruler of Wilmington Elks Lodge # 532.
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1982-1983.
- NC Elks State President 1986-87.
- Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1993.
- Member of American Legion Post 10.
- Golf enthusiast & charter member Pine Valley Country Club.
- Survived by ;
 - Daughter, Barbara B. Ward and husband, Edward L.
 - Two granddaughters: Wendy W. Davis and husband, Allen & Molly W. Chamblee and husband, Mason
 - One sister, Ruth Bellomy Spratt of Fredericksburg, VA.
- Loved to dance and was often heard to say, "I could have danced all night".

Dr. Walter H. Hill

NCSEA President 1963-1964



Raleigh

- Dr. Walter H. Hill, 94, of Raleigh, passed away February 20, 2007.
- He received an undergraduate education at the University of Iowa and completed graduate school at the Illinois College of Podiatry in Chicago.
- Practiced podiatry from 1940 to 1986
- Including his military service in the U.S. Navy during W.W.II
- Retired at the age of 74.
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1956-57
- President N.C. State Elks 1963-64.
- President of the N.C. Podiatry Society, and served on the Presbyterian Session for multiple terms.
- Survived by his
 - Daughter, Pamela Kirthlinkson
 - Son, Wally Hill
 - Grandsons, Justin and Adam Kirthlink
- He will be remembered by all for his concern for and loyalty to his family and friends, for his devotion to his church and benevolence to charitable causes, and for his always present sense of humor

Eb Kimbrell

NCSEA President 1987-1988



Statesville

- Eb Kimbrell, 87, passed away October 26, 2009
- Born on February 2, 1922 in Fort Mill, SC
- WWII Veteran
- Retired National Guard 1961
- Member: Pearl Harbor Survivors and China-Burma-India Veterans Associations
- Retired 1988 after 36 years with Kimbrell's Furniture
- Member Shriners Club, BOD First American Savings Bank, Kiwanis Club and Wesley Memorial Methodist Church where he took leadership roles in several church committees.
- Amassed ~6,000 volunteer hours Davis Regional Medical Center
- Local President: American Cancer Society, Anderson, SC & Merchants Association Statesville, NC [Merchant of the year 1977]
- 1970-71, 1993-94 Exalted Ruler Statesville Elks Lodge #1823
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1975-1976
- President NCSEA PER Association 1979-1980
- Preceded in death 2006 by his wife of 60 years, Ruth
- Survived by sons Gary and Tom, Three Grandchildren and Four Great Grandchildren
- He & Ruth enjoyed their time with the Elks and Life to its fullest

George W. Wheeler, Jr.

NCSEA President 2005-2006



Brevard

- George Watson Wheeler, Jr., 81, died Friday, November 19, 2010.
- Preceded in death by an infant son, Michael Wheeler
- 1949 graduate of Christ School
- Attended Brevard College
- Life Member of Brevard Elks Lodge #1768
- Brevard Elks Lodge Past Exalted Ruler
- Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler
- NCSEA President 2005-2006
- NCSEA Drug Awareness Chair 8 years
- Member of NC Wing of the Civil Air Patrol
- Coach of Mite & Midget football teams – Transylvania Little League Football Association
- Member of Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church
- Retired Ecusta Corp
- Survived by his wife, Martha Bishop Wheeler
Son, David W. Wheeler - Sisters: Bette Mulley & Martha Fray - Grandchildren: Rod Flynn, Ryan Wheeler, Jessica Whited - Great Grandchildren: William & Archer Flynn, Jeshua & Brawley Whited, David & John Wheeler

O. John Valentine

NCSEA President 1980-1981



Southern Pines

- O. John Valentine, 85 passed away Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012
- Member of Southern Pines Elks Lodge #1692
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1978-1979
- NCSEA President 1980-1981
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1990
- WWII Veteran
- Southern Pines Shooting Club
- Custom Homebuilder and Developer
- Relocated from Pittsburgh to Whispering Pines in 1962
- Preceded in death by his wife
 - Joan (Jodi) Hammond Valentine in 1990
- Survived by their children:
 - John C. (Jay) Valentine
 - Jennifer L. Valentine
- Enjoyed Golf, Jazz, Dancing and “Loved to Cook”

William “Bill” Emile Peloquin NCSEA President 2011-2012



Winston-Salem

- William “Bill” Peloquin, 71, passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2012.
- Born October 18, 1941
- A Captain in the US Army served in Vietnam
- Retired from US Postal Service after 20 years
- Was Postmaster of Tobaccoville, NC
- Member of the Winston-Salem Elks Lodge #449
- Currently serving as NCSEA President
- Was of the Catholic faith
- Survived by his wife of 49 years, Pat Peloquin
Daughters; Jana Varanka, Lora Peloquin, Andra Mason – Grandchildren; Elizabeth, Emily, Caitlin, Kellie Varanka, Christian Mason - Sisters: Dianne Messenger & Nancy Beaudet – several nieces and nephews
- An avid Golfer
- Enjoyed working part time Reynolds Park Golf Course
- Loved his Country, Family, and Elks.

John Thomas “J.T.” Nichols, Jr.

NCSEA President 1975 - 1976

- J.T. Nichols, age 91 passed away Sunday July 15th, 2012 .
- Born in Winston Salem on January 23, 1921.
- Graduated Wake Forest in 1942
- U.S. Navy Veteran serving in World War II
 - Inducted in 1943 and commissioned as an officer 1944
- Nichols Clothing in Mt. Airy for over 40 years.
- Past Exalted Ruler Mount Airy Elks Lodge #2061.
- Secretary Mount Airy Elks Lodge #2061 for over 30 years.
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1970-71.
- NC Elks State President 1975-76.
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1982.
- Served on many Lodge & NCSEA Committees.
- Preceded in Death by: parents John & Era Nichols, brother Lawrence Nichols and his first wife Catherine.
- Survived by:
 - Wife, Eloise
 - Daughter, Cathleen N. Hyatt
 - Stepsons, Claude Sparks (Jane), Terry Sparks (Linda)
 - Two grandchildren: Suzanne Hyatt, Jimmy Hyatt, Jr.
 - Four Great Grandchildren

Never forgotten, JT's smile and his famous “cigar” .

Mount Airy

William “Bill” Leggett Goodwyn Jr.

NCSEA President 1978 - 1979



Rocky Mount

- William Goodwyn, 91, passed away Monday May 11th 2015.
- Born September 5th 1923
- Educated Wake Forest University
- Member Kappa Sigma Fraternity
- A WWII US Army Veteran
- Member of Masonic Order and Shriner
- Exalted Ruler Rocky Mount Elks Lodge #1038
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1972-1973
- President NCSEA PER Association 1973-1975
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1994
- Special Deputy to Grand Lodge of B.P.O.E. 1996-1997
- Retired President and Owner Scanti Lingerie Mfg. Co Battleboro, NC
- Served various civic, social & fraternal organizations
- Member First Presbyterian Church Rocky Mount served as Deacon and Elder
- Survived by many nephews and nieces
- Loved his Country, Family, Elks
- Will be remembered as “a true Southern Gentleman”

Bill Allen

NCSEA President 1981-1982

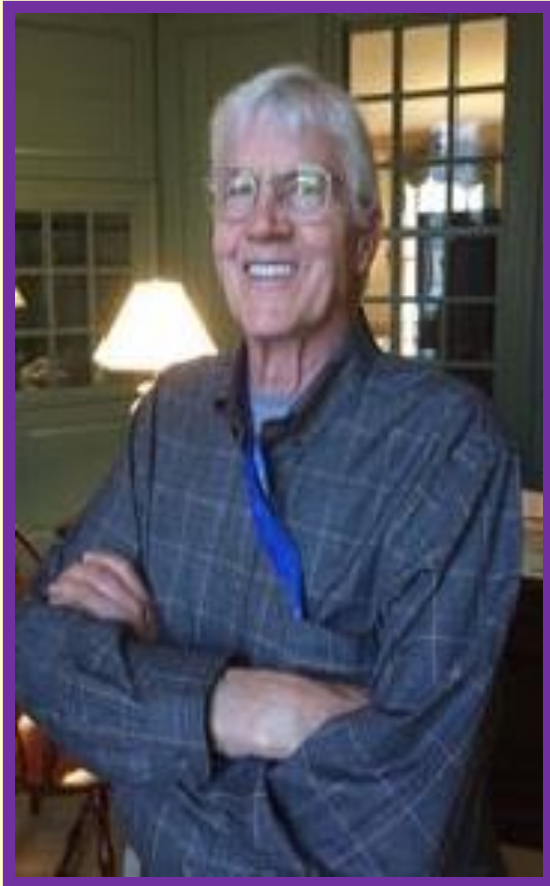


Newton

- Bill Allen, 73, passed away Wednesday January 6, 2016
- Born August 19, 1942
- Join US Navy 1960 served on the U.S.S. Manley until July 1962
- Member of Newton Jaycees, Masonic Lodge #248 AF and AM and Oasis Shriner's Temple
- Exalted Ruler Newton Elks Lodge #2042
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1975-1976
- President NCSEA PER Association 1977-78
- Special Representative to Grand Lodge of B.P.O.E. 1989-1990
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1999
- NCSEA Chaplain
- Retired Automobile Industry
- Member Trinity Baptist Church serving as Sunday School Teacher and Steward
- Active Hospice Volunteer
- An avid golfer & phenomenal piano player
- Preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Gayle Fowler Allen
- Survived by son Jeff Allen and daughter Suzanne Seagle and four grandchildren
- He loved his Country, Family, Elks and bringing joy with his singing and playing piano

Dr. A. W. “Gus” Tucker III

NCSEA President 1993-1994



Brevard

- Gus Tucker, 75, away Saturday July 16, 2016
- Born June 28, 1941
- US Air Force 4years
- Clemson University and UNC-Chapel Hill
- Served his hometown Brevard more than 40 years as Dentist
- Exalted Ruler Brevard Elks #768
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1988-1989
- President NCSEA PER Association 1989-90
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 2004
- Numerous Vestry positions culminating as Sr. Warren of St Philip's Episcopal Church
- Member Transylvania Endowment Directors Fund of the WNC Community Foundation and Transylvania County Board of Health
- Preceded in death by his wife Alice M. Tucker, son Kenneth St. George Tucker and grandson Augustine Washington Tucker V
- Survived by sons Augustine W. Tucker IV, Phillip C. Tucker a daughter Helen T. Herpel and five grandchildren
- He loved cooking, good food, gardening, reading, his dog [Dandy] and Fox news.

Paul R. Hampton

NCSEA President 1979-1980



- Paul Hampton, 86, passed away August 19, 2016
- Born March 13, 1930
- US Army assigned to the Marine Corps in the Korean War
- High Point College
- Exalted Ruler High Point Elks #1155
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1967-1968
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 1985
- Involved in Elks 61 years
- An advocate for veterans for the last 20 years
- Survived by wife Diana Carl, son Phillip Hampton, daughter Maggie H. Hilly, a grandson and great grandson
- His County, Family, Elks and Veterans were his passion

High Point

William Cobb Bullock

NCSEA President 1996-1997



Roxboro

- William Bullock age 68 passed away Monday Dec. 12, 2016
- Chairman Roxboro Savings Bank BOD
- Member Person County Lake Authority
- Operator and Owner Bullock Lumber Company for approximately 45 years
- Served 16 years as Exalted Ruler Roxboro Elks #2005
- District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler 1989-1990
- President NCSEA Charitable Trust 2002-2004
- NC Elks Thad Eure Distinguished Service Award 2005
- ENF and NCSEA Charitable Trust were among favorite charities.
- Recognized by Roxboro Jaycees for his leadership and dedication to the community, in business and for his benevolence with a Life Time Achievement Award
- Member Roxboro Presbyterian Church
- Survived by wife Charlaine G. Bullock, son John Bullock, daughter Virginia B. Crisp, two grandchildren Sam Hall and Lainey Crisp
- Love His Family, His Country, His Brother Elks and a Good Poker Hand.

Guiding Elks Forward

