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BREAKING NEWS: Ike Glass Selected For Oklahoma Hall of Fame



Ike Glass

OKLAHOMA CITY – Seven outstanding Oklahomans have been selected for induction into the 82nd class of the Oklahoma Hall of Fame, including Newkirk resident Marlin G. “Ike” Glass. Glass will join the cast of 628 individuals who have been inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame since 1928. Inclusion in the Oklahoma Hall of Fame is the highest honor a citizen can receive from the state.

“Ike’s heart lies in education and the future of our state,” said Shannon L. Nance, president of the Oklahoma Heritage Association and Gaylord-Pickens Museum. “Because he strongly believes that young people are the key element to Oklahoma’s success, he has invested much time in our upcoming leaders and has helped many find their way to higher education so they can make a difference in their own lives and the lives of others.”

Joining Glass for induction this year are: C. Kendrick Ferguson, Altus; V. Burns Hargis, Stillwater; Polly A. Nichols, Oklahoma City; Lee Roy Selmon, Eufaula; Steven W. Taylor, McAlester; and Wayman Lawrence Tisdale, Tulsa, who will be inducted posthumously.

Glass, a patriot, entrepreneur and successful businessman in Newkirk, learned a strong work ethic from his father while participating in the family-owned trucking business as a young man. Glass is now CEO of the company and has turned it into a major enterprise that operates throughout the Midwest.

After graduating from Newkirk High School, Glass joined the U.S. Navy, serving in the Korean conflict for four years. He returned to graduate from Oklahoma State University with a degree in business administration, where he met and married Marybeth Brunsteter. They have two children, Rob and Jennifer, and three grandchildren.

Glass is most highly thought of for his efforts to make higher education and post-secondary education available to all children and citizens of our state. He has financially supported multiple scholarship programs and given encouragement and financial assistance to many young people, enabling them to pursue higher education.

He served as president of the Newkirk School Board, past president of the OSU Alumni Association and, in 1997, Gov. Frank Keating appointed Glass to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for a nine-year term. In 2007, he was reappointed by Governor Brad Henry. Glass served as

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