

Distinguished Alumnus 2017

Mike Loftis

Class of 1974

A Roustabout and member of Who's Who among Students in American Junior Colleges, Mike Loftis earned his Associate of Science degree from Northern Oklahoma College and his Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration from Oklahoma State University (1976). In 1985, he became a certified insurance counselor.

He began his career in insurance with Don Loftis Agency, later becoming president of Loftis Insurance (1984-2002), CEO of Loftis and Wetzel Corporation (2002) and president of Bainswest, Inc. (2002).

Involved for more than 30 years in commercial real estate development, he worked with the Blackwell Industrial Authority to develop a full industrial park, acquire land and implement projects to locate in the Blackwell area creating new jobs. He helped bring the wind energy industry to Kay County and served in the negotiation and transition of Blackwell Regional Hospital to remain open. As a long-standing NOCF trustee, he participated in the Strategic Plans to open the NOC Enid site and the NOC/OSU Gateway Program. The Blackwell Chamber of Commerce named him 2016 Outstanding Citizen of the Year.