

2004 - David C. Smith, Class of '56

Mr. David Smith graduated from Gomer High School in the class of 1956. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Miami University and a Master of Arts from Indiana University. He continued with courses at St. Francis and the University of Dayton. He was a classroom teacher from 1960-1968, and a guidance counselor from 1968-1994. He was elected to the Elida Board of Education in 1996 and continues to serve in that capacity. He is a member of the Northwest Ohio School Board Association's Executive Committee (1998 to the present). He was President-Elect of the Northwest District Ohio School Board Association in 2002, and President of that organization in 2003. He served as Trustee of the Ohio School Boards Association from 2002-2004. He has served as Elida's representative to the Apollo School Board from 1996 to the present. He is a member of the Elida Education Foundation, and served as a past Elida Band Booster President, a volunteer with the Elida Youth Baseball Program, and a coach for the junior high basketball program at Elida. He is a member and past-president of the Elida Sertoma Service Club, a board member of the Elida Optimist Service Club, a Director at the Allen County Fair, a volunteer at the Allen County Museum, a member of the Allen County Retired Teachers Association and the Ohio Retired Teachers Association, and a member of the Elida Community Library Building Committee. He is a member of the Immanuel United Methodist Church, serving the community through Homebound ministries, transportation of senior citizens, and volunteering at the soup kitchen.