

Five Being Inducted into SWOSU Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame

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Five individuals are being inducted into Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame during 2017 graduation ceremonies on the Weatherford campus.

They are:

Jack Bonny

Lori (Baker) Boyd

Patrick Riley Griffin

Lori (Wallace) Harper

Joey Martin

All five will be honored by SWOSU President Randy Beutler at the SWOSU Convocation May 5-6 on the Weatherford campus.

Jack Bonny of Elk City is a Class of 1962 and 1966 graduate. He served in the Oklahoma Legislature as a state representative for 12 years. He is a former teacher and also former mayor of Burns Flat.

Bonny taught 21 years. He has two children—Jackie Bonny and Christy Bonny Browning—and four grandchildren—Eric and Lynsey Browning and Brittany and Brooke Bonny.

Lori (Baker) Boyd is Class of 1997. She began her tenure at The Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital in 1997 as the accounts payable clerk. Since that time, she has held the positions of business office director, administrative projects coordinator and vice president of special projects. Boyd was named president of operations in 2014 and Chief Operating Office in 2016. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Healthcare Administration from SWOSU and Master of Health Administration (MHA) degree from the University of Oklahoma.

Joey M. Martin comes from a long line of proud Bulldogs and is a member of the Class of 1988 and 1991.

Martin received the Bachelor of Music Education ('88) and Master of Music ('91) from SWOSU. His time at SWOSU culminated with a one-year sabbatical replacement for a professor. Following his time at SWOSU, he taught at Northeastern State University for four years before moving to Austin (TX), where he received a Doctorate of Musical Arts in 2000 from the University of Texas. After a one-year appointment as the interim director of choral activities at UT-Austin, he was hired at Texas State University, formerly Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos where he

continues to teach as professor of music and associate dean for the College of Fine Arts & Communication.

Lori A. (Wallace) Harper is vice president, Supply Chain Management, at Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula (MS). Harper is a member of the Class of 1993.

Harper joined Ingalls in 2002 and has held leadership positions in multiple areas. Prior to joining Ingalls, Harper held leadership positions with several Fortune 500 companies in the aerospace and defense, petrochemical, and services industries.

Harper received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from SWOSU and an MBA from William Carey College. She has completed leadership training at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business and is a certified Six Sigma Green Belt.

In 2015, Harper was named one of Mississippi's Top 10 Business Women by Mississippi Business Journal.

The late **Patrick Riley Griffin** was member of the Class of 1962 and 1968. He was a public school teacher, counselor and administrator in Clinton, Altus and Oklahoma City (Northwest Classen, Grant, Douglass and Southeast). Griffin was the first African American to play on the SWOSU football team and run for the SWOSU track and field team.

He graduated from Weatherford High School, where he was the first African American to play on the WHS football team and was also the first African American to be selected as football homecoming king.

Griffin received his Bachelor of Science in Education (Class of 1962) and his Master in Counseling (Class of 1968) degrees from SWOSU. His professional career spanned 30 years.