Michael Hurtt

(Biography)

Michael Hurtt came to Dallas from Casper, Wyoming in 1971. Graduated from Mortuary Science College, and has been in this area ever since. He was elected to the DeSoto City Council in May of 1998, and served as Mayor Pro Tem those three years. He was elected Mayor in 2001, and again in 2004. He was the seated Mayor when DeSoto was recognized for the ALL AMERICA CITY Award in 2006. He has served as council liaison to the DeSoto Economic Development Corporation, the Arts Commission, and Keep DeSoto Beautiful, a commission he founded in DeSoto. He also served on the North Texas Commission Board of Directors. Recently the 31 suburban cities elected him to the Dallas County Appraisal District Board of Directors for a second two year term. He also serves as Vice-Chairman of the DeSoto Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Hurtt currently serves on the Advisory Board for Methodist Charlton Hospital for a three year term.

Mr. Hurtt was a member of the executive board of directors of the Dallas Zoological Society. He also served on Tex-21, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and the National League of Cities. He was vice president of the Medical Center of Lancaster Hospital Board of Directors, and served on the board of Compass Hospital. In the past, Mr. Hurtt has served on the DeSoto Park Board, Strategy 2000, and the Charter Review Committee. He was also the chairman of the DeSoto Chamber of Commerce and the Best Southwest Chamber Partnership, past president of the DeSoto Rotary Club and the North Texas Funeral Directors Association.

Mr. Hurtt and his wife Marilyn have lived in DeSoto since 1988 and have two grandchildren. He is the owner of West/Hurtt Funeral Home in DeSoto since 1988.