

Lyles-Simpson Award
Recipient
2019



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It is with great pleasure that the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission presents this year's Lyles-Simpson Award to William Borden Wallace. This prestigious award is presented annually to an individual, agency, or organization which has contributed to the betterment of the fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico through significant biological, industrial, legislative, enforcement, or administrative activities. Borden and his wife, Sara, have been married for 50 years and have two children, Chuck and Susan and two grandchildren, Avery and Caroline.

Borden has been around the water all his life. He was born in Morehead City, North Carolina and attended Duke University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Zoology as well as a Master of Arts in Teaching. He also received an Associate Degree in Risk Management from the Insurance Institute of America. He was introduced to the Gulf Coast in 1971 when he moved to Louisiana to begin his education career. He was a teacher at Isidore Newman School in New Orleans from 1971 to 1972 where he taught General Science, Biology and Marine Biology. Borden and his family have a long history within the menhaden fishery and he represents the third generation of involvement in the menhaden harvesting/processing industry. He has been the President of Wallace Menhaden Products and after a merger with Daybrook Fisheries, Inc., became their Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in 1992. He officially retired in April 2018 but continues to stay connected to the marine fisheries arena as President of Patronus Consulting, LLC.

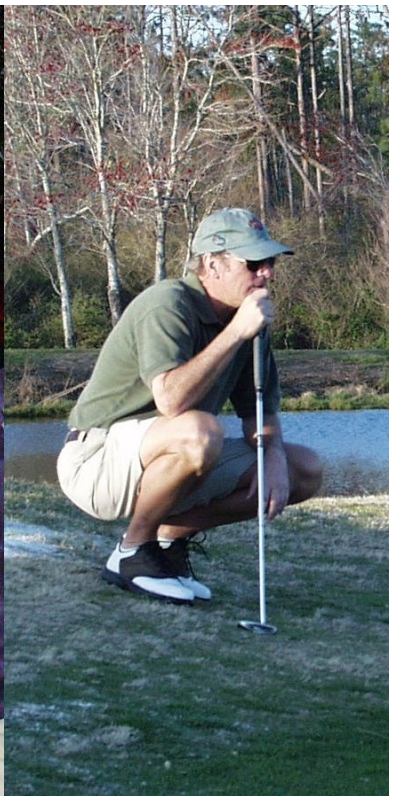
In addition to his work history, he has served on numerous boards, committees and task forces including a member of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC), member and chairman of the GSMFC's Gulf Menhaden Advisory Committee, member of the Louisiana Governor's Commission on Coastal Restoration and Preservation, member of the LSU Sea Grant Fisheries Task Force,

member of the Fisheries Focus Group, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and member of the Venice Port Coalition Board. He was coauthor of several technical publications on menhaden and an advisor to the Habitat Suitability Index Models: Gulf Menhaden.

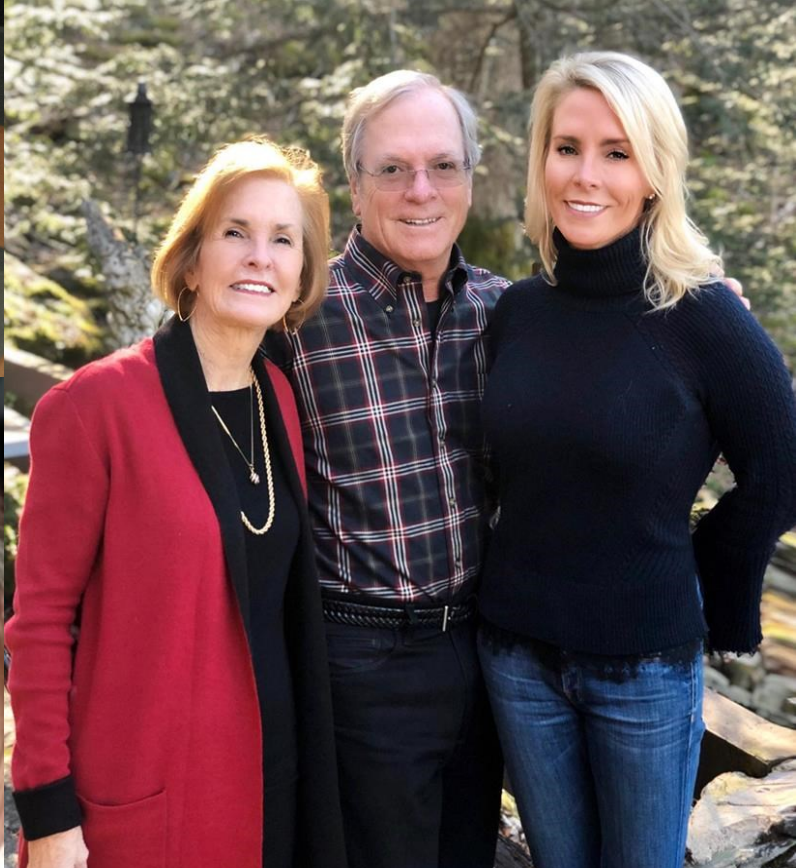
Borden was named the Plaquemines Parish Orange King in 2011 in recognition of the menhaden industry in that parish and presided as the president, secretary and treasurer of the Plaquemines Parish South Rotary Club. He also served as the junior and senior warden, treasurer and church school superintendent in several Episcopal churches.

Throughout his career, Borden has represented the menhaden industry with integrity and modesty. He was a great advocate and always willing to sit down and work with all sides to figure out solutions to the issues and opportunities that faced the fishery. It is with great pride that the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission presents this year's Lyles-Simpson Award to such a worthy recipient.











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