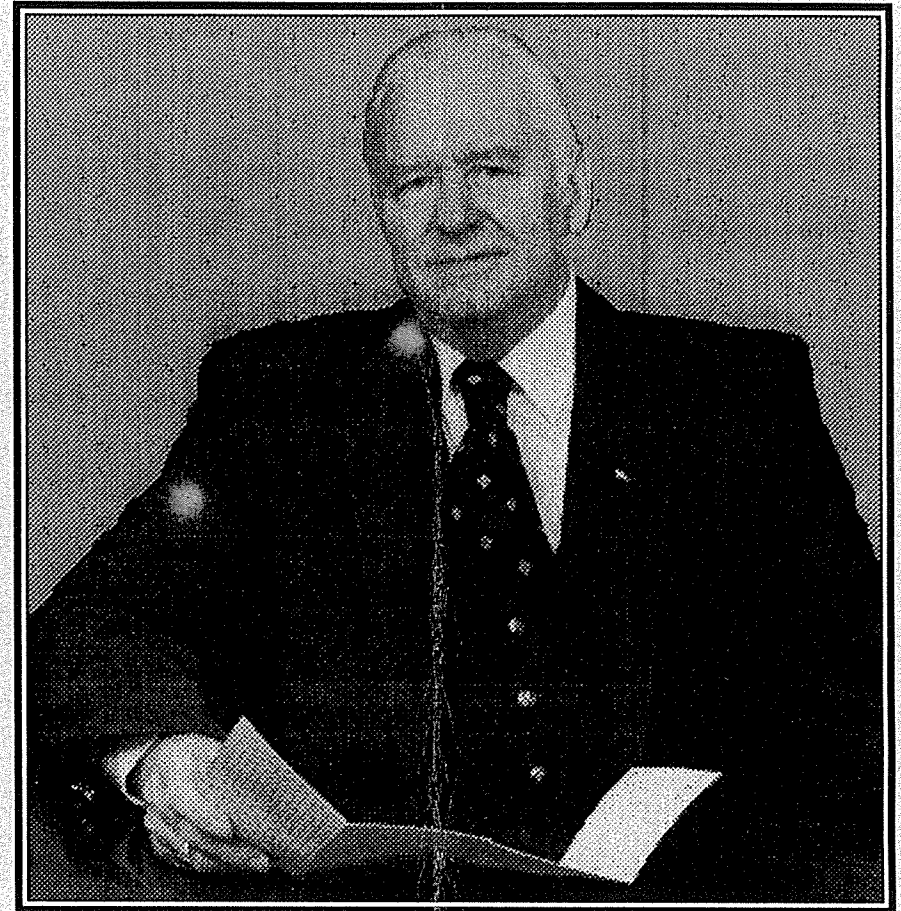


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Theodore H. Shepard

Theodore "Ted" H. Shepard

March 25, 1915 born in Mobile, Alabama
 November 1915 moved to New Orleans and still resides there today
 May 5, 1938 married Myrtle Easton, celebrated 50th wedding anniversary May 1988; five children (four girls and one boy), nine grandchildren, and two great grandchildren

Education

Tulane University 1936 B.A. Political Science
 Phi Beta Kappa
 Member of Tulane "T" Club, Green Wave Club, Emeritus Club

Employment

Wilson and Company Meat Packers	1936-1941
General Seafood Company (General Foods)	1941-1951
Schulman-Shepard Company	1951-1985
ACLI Seafood Company	1972-1983
Chauvin Fishing and Packing Company	1975-1983
International Seafood Traders (Conagra Corporation)	1982-1985

Retired in 1985, but represented Hubert Lafont Shrimp Co. from 1985-1992

Professional Affiliations

National Fisheries Institute Charter Member since 1946
 President, 1984
 Chairman of the Board, 1985
 Present Honorary Member

Professional Affiliations (continued)

Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute	Director
Fishery Advisory Council to Dept. of Interior and Dept. of Commerce	Member for 8 years
First Law of Sea Council to State Dept.	Member
National Shrimp Congress	Past Chairman
Louisiana Shrimp Association	Founder, Past President and Chairman, Present Director
Governor's Task Force on Shrimp Management	Member

Active for 53 Years in the Shrimp Industry

Personal Affiliations and Achievements

Member of Presbyterian Church	Elder since 1937, Sunday school teacher and superintendent; layman preacher and stewardship speaker
Trinity Christian Community	Board of Directors
General Assembly of Men	Vice President
Parent Teacher Association	Life-time Member
Young Men's Business Club	Member
Mason	Member
Youth of New Orleans	Past President
Men of New Orleans	Past President
Men of Louisiana	Past President
New Orleans School Board	Past President and Member
New Orleans Civic Council	Past President
Save Our Schools	Past Vice President

Eagle Scout and Best All Around Scout at Camp Salmen, 1931

CHARLES H. LYLES
AWARD
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THEODORE H. SHEPARD

Good evening ladies and gentlemen-- My name is Joe Gill, Chairman of the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission for this year. I want to thank you all for attending this most important part of the annual October meeting. The Commission has since 1984 been pleased to, in our small way, hold up various individuals in the Marine community for their rightful and due public praise for their contributions and achievements. Tonight we are again pleased to add yet another distinguished person to the list of Charles H. Lyles recipients. You can see on the back of your program the caliber of this select group. From members of the U.S. Congress to eminent scientists, industry giants and State directors this is truly a worthy group. This is our only expression of thanks the Commission has and is the subject of much deliberation by the Commissioners for those we select.

The award was the idea of Representative Taylor Harper of Alabama during his first Chairmanship and was named after our Executive Director at the time of his retirement, Charlie Lyles. Charlie is with us tonight and will have a part in the program later.

At this time I would like to call up to the podium our Executive Director Mr. Larry B. Simpson who will continue the program.

-- Larry

Thank you Joe and good evening.

Mr. Shepard I just want you to know what an honor it is for me to have a part in the program tonight. Many of you have been associated with Ted in various areas of fisheries over the years.

I had the pleasure of interviewing Ted a while back, during which time I was able to find out a little more the man we honor tonight.

Did you know that if New Orleans had given him a job as a teacher/coach he might have had a different career? - baseball player - Phi Beta Kappa-

His first job out of college was with Wilson Meat Packing Co. - What he did was haul meat in and out of cold storage during the day and play semipro baseball for the company. What position?- batting avg?

Ted is a man of deep faith as you can see by his resume'-- Presbyterian -- in the south that's the rich Baptists- The church seeks his advice on finances- once was at a little country church in Mississippi and at the end of the evening service they had a called business meeting to discuss \$400 left over at the end of the year. Asked his opinion about buying a chandelier - phi beta kappa Tulane - No for three reasons 1. I don't buy anything I can't spell 2. no one would learn to play it 3. what this church needs is some light.

Ted has given his life to bring the Gulf's premiere product - Shrimp- to the consuming public. It could have been red meat you know he worked for Wilson Meat Packing Co.

He drove a truck to Texas for product when he was young, many times through the Louisiana farm country. Farm house in front yard was a three legged pig. Curiosity finally made him stop one day to ask why a farmer would keep a three legged pig. - House fire - railroad tracks- We couldn't eat a hog like that all at one time.

Seriously Theodore H. Shepard is the Man of the night and year. Along with Myrtle his wife of 55 years the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, family, friends, your business and profession peers salute you for all you have done for the marine fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico for over 53 years.

*anyone
a word*
Ted would you and Mr. Lyles come forward-- We think it only fitting that the namesake of the award present the plaque to Mr. Shepard.

Charlie--

Mr. Shepard a few words-- Now please join Ted and Myrtle for fellowship at the reception in _____. This concludes or program.