

Mike Maitre is a well-known name here in Mobile, especially in the sports arena. His time at Murphy predicted that as he played basketball, baseball, and football at Murphy, lettering in baseball and football and earning membership in the M club. Mike was also a representative in the Student Government Association, a member of the Ushers' Club, a member and officer in the Key Club, and a HiTimes representative

After graduation, Mike attended Tulane University from 1957-1959, where he was a member of the baseball team. While at Tulane, he was also a member of the T Club, the Air Force ROTC, and the drill team. Mike finished his college career at the University of Southern Mississippi. He graduated in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology and psychology. While at Southern Miss, he was a member of numerous intramural teams. He also was elected president of his fraternity, Alpha Tau Omega. Mike was also a Dean's List Scholar and was named to Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges.

In the fall of 1962 Mike entered dental school at the University of Alabama. While there, he served as Secretary of the Student Government Association. He was also a member of the Psi Omega honor society. After graduating from dental school in 1966, Mike entered the Air Force and served for 2 years. During his short career in the Air Force, Mike was the chief of hospital dental services. He earned the rank of Captain and received an Air Force Commendation medal.

In 1968, Mike returned home to Mobile, to begin his private dental practice. Mike loved Mobile and found numerous ways to better his community. He served as vice-president of the board of Mobile Youth Football conference and the Loop Athletic Association President. He also served on the Board of directors for the National Little League and the International Babe Ruth Baseball League. He also served on the Mobile County Recreation Commission and the Mobile Chamber of Commerce Sports Commission. He also served as chairman of Mobile Parks and Recreation Board for 9 years. Mike was also one of the founders of the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic and served as its chairman for the first two years. Mike was a long standing member of the Mobile Sports Commission. He was on the Board of Directors for the Mobile Sports Hall of Fame. From 1989-1993, he served as the Associated Game Captain for the Senior Bowl. He served as Game Captain in 1994 and 1995 and was an advisor to the All-Star Classic Game. He was a member of the Mobile Touchdown Club and had served on its board of directors.

Mike was an active member of the dental community in Mobile and in the state of Alabama. He was a member of the First District Dental Society, the Alabama Dental Association, and the American Dental Association. He also served as the president of the University of Alabama Birmingham Dental School Alumni Association president. After 43 years of private practice, Mike retired from dentistry...but not for long. He began providing dental care for senior citizens through Senior Dental Care of Alabama.

He grew up attending Ashland Place United Methodist Church and served as chairman of the board and as financial chairman for many years. He also served on the vestry of Christ Episcopal Church. And he was involved with Team Focus for several years.

Mike Maitre's love and support of his community, especially through sports, makes him a great candidate for our hall of fame, and we are pleased to induct him today.