Dr. Fred S. Wood, Jr.



Fred S. Wood, Jr. is the second of three children. He is a 1962 Honor Graduate of the W. A. Pattillo High School where he was active in athletics and served as his class president from his freshman thru senior years and was the President of the Student Council during his senior year.

Fred received bachelor's and master's Degrees from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and the Doctor of Education degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. From 1967 to his retirement in 2002 he served as an active duty and reserve Army Officer, a teacher and administrator in the Guilford County Schools, and as an Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean for the School of Education at North Carolina A&T State University.

He is a retired United States Army Officer with the rank of Major. His military service began in 1967 when he was commissioned from Senior ROTC at North Carolina A&T State University. In July of 1968, he was deployed to Vietnam where he served as the Assistant Signal Officer for the Americal Division Artillery. Following his active-duty service in July of 1970 he immediately joined the 422nd Civil Affairs Company in Greensboro, North Carolina as the Public Education Officer. In August of 1985 he was selected for assignment in the active-duty South Atlantic Command (SOCLANT) at Fort Bragg, NC as the Civil Affairs Officer and this was his final assignment until his retirement on February 3, 2004. In 2022 he was inducted in the North Carolina A&T State University Army Aggie Battalion Hall of Fame.

A member of Kappa Delta Pi, An International Honor Society in Education, he served as a reviewer for the Kappa Delta Pi Record, its official publication. He was also a frequent presenter for the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education throughout the United States and a North Carolina Department of Education Accreditation Team member. He is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., and was past president of the Gamma Beta Sigma Chapter in Greensboro. He is also a past member of the Executive Board of the Greensboro General Greene Council of the Boy Scouts of America, past president of his Rotherwood Community Organization, past president of the Providence Baptist Church Men's Fellowship and past Chairman of the Providence Baptist Church Board of Trustees.

Dr. Wood counts as one of the greatest pleasures of his life serving as the President of the W. A. Pattillo High School National Alumni Association.

An avid woodworker and architectural draftsman, he has been a resident of Greensboro, NC since 1970. He is married to the former Janette Jackson of Greensboro, and they have two daughters and two grandsons.

From 2011 until 2023, Dr. Wood served as the elected President of the W. A. Pattillo High School National Alumni Association.

Upon retirement as President of the Association in 2023, he was appointed by the Board to the position of President Emeritus for over 12 years of dedicated service to the Association in that position.