



## **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

Nominations for this award are requested from the general Shawnee Chamber of Commerce membership and the community. A committee of past recipients chooses the Citizen of the Year for their personal and company's outstanding contribution to the Shawnee community. There are no specific qualifications for the award other than a demonstrated effort to make Shawnee a better place to live, work and grow as judged each year by the past recipients.

### **Past Citizens of The Year Annual Dinner Award Recipients:**

2017 Kevin Tubbesing  
2016 Charley Vogt  
2015 Neal Sawyer  
2014 Ron Freyermuth  
2013 Paul Ridgway  
2012 Dick Shull  
2011 Joe Vohs  
2010 Carol Gonzales  
2009 Mayor Jeff Meyers  
2008 Dan Land (Deceased)  
2007 Ron Deffenbaugh (Deceased)  
2006 Marilyn Breitenstein  
2005 David Morris  
2004 Tom Zarda  
2003 Nicholas Pflumm (Deceased)  
2002 Charles Goslin  
2001 Police Chief Tom Hazelton  
2000 Mayor Jim Allen  
1999 Fire Chief Buck Hartley  
1998 Joe Magyar (Deceased)  
1997 Paul Scurlock (Deceased)  
1996 Tom Coffman for Deffenbaugh Industries  
1995 Shirley Douglas  
1994 Ron Paplau  
1993 Bill Nicks (Deceased)  
1992 Mayor Bob Best  
1991 Dorothy McMullen  
1990 Joe Mayo (Deceased)  
1989 Mayor Thomas A. "Tony" Soetaert (Deceased)  
1988 Gary Montague

1987 Rob Roberts  
1986 Barbara Yardley  
1985 J.D. Walden (Deceased)  
1984 Vern McNatt (Deceased)  
1983 Police Chief Charles Stump (Deceased)  
1982 Coach Gennaro Mirocke (Deceased)  
1981 Evelyn VanKemseke (Deceased)  
1980 Betty Pease (Deceased)  
1979 Duane Wills  
1978 Ed Calkins  
1977 Max Rieke (Deceased)  
1976 Jack Waters  
1975 William "Bill" Daniels (Deceased)  
1974 Eugene "Gene" Amos (Deceased)  
1973 J. Kenneth Thomas (Deceased)  
1972 Bernard Sullivan (Deceased)