



2019 E.W. Marland Award

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E.W. Marland Award



- E.W. Marland was a U.S. Congressman and the 10th Governor of Oklahoma.
- He is considered the “Father of the Compact.”

The IOGCC established the E.W. Marland award in 1994 to recognize an outstanding state regulator.

The winner of the 2019
E.W. Marland Award is...

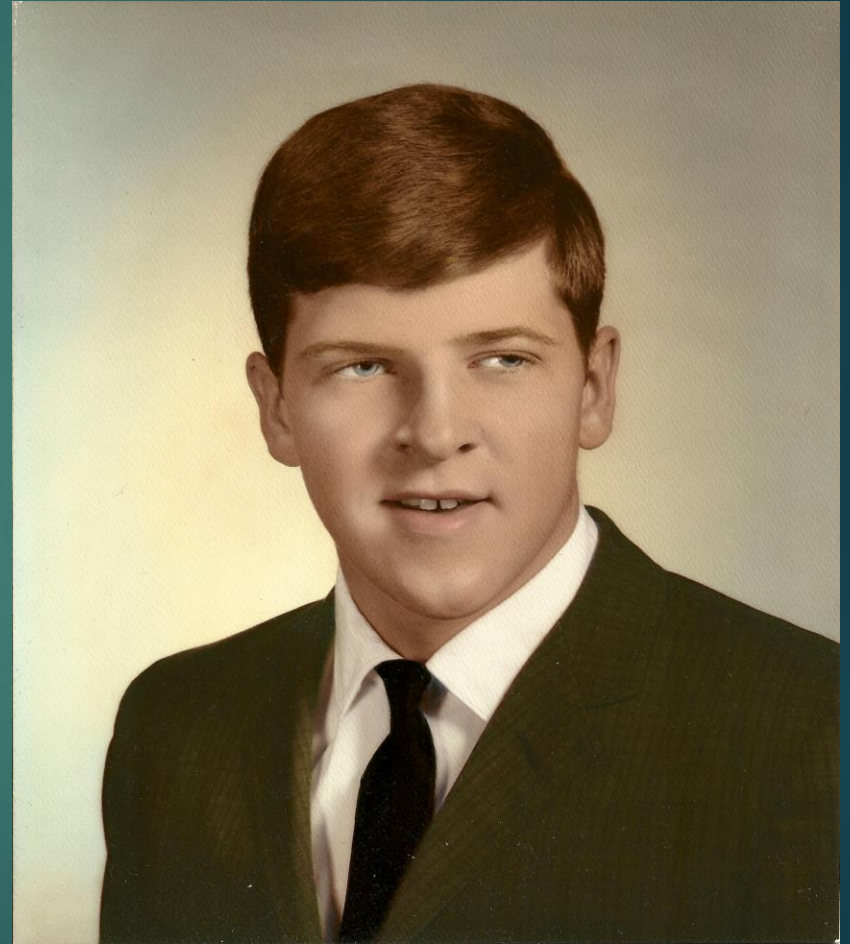
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Harold R. “Hal” Fitch



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Hastings High School
Graduation 1967



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Hal completed his Bachelor of Science degree in Geology from Michigan Technological University in 1972.



**Michigan
Technological
University**

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The Start of Something Grand!



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From 1980 to 1982 Hal attended graduate school in Hydrology and Water Resources at the University of Arizona in Tucson.



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In 1996 Hal was appointed as Chief of the Geological Survey Division.



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Hal spent the next 22 plus years as Director of the Michigan Geologic Survey Division or its successor agencies.



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- Hal served on many committees and work groups for the IOGCC.
- He was elected and served as Vice Chair of IOGCC from 2014-2015.



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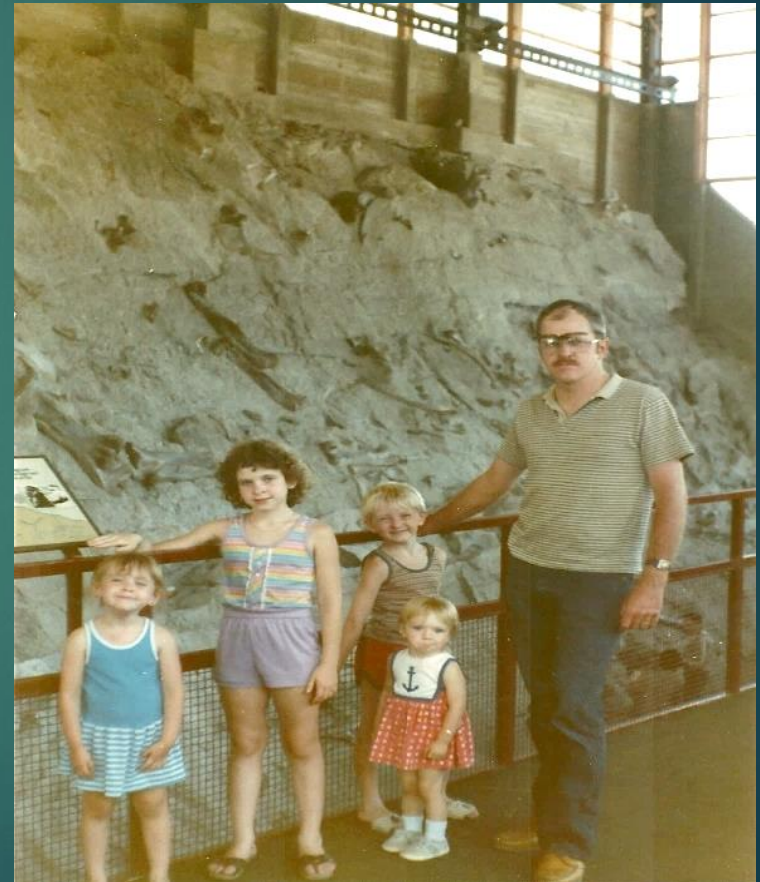
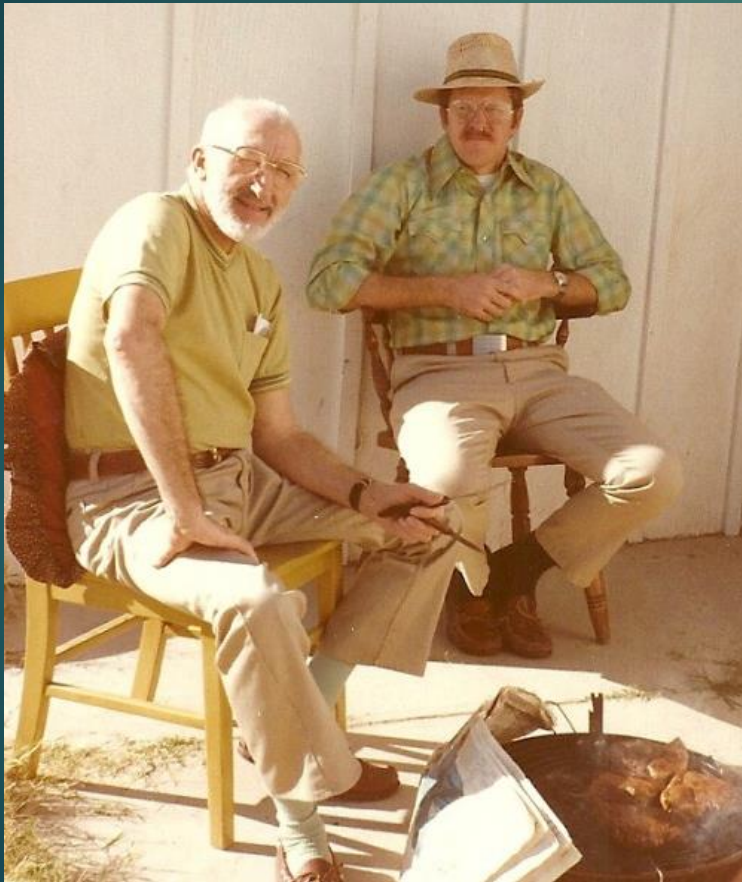


Hal enjoys outdoor activities, including camping, boating, kayaking, hiking, bicycling, and skiing!

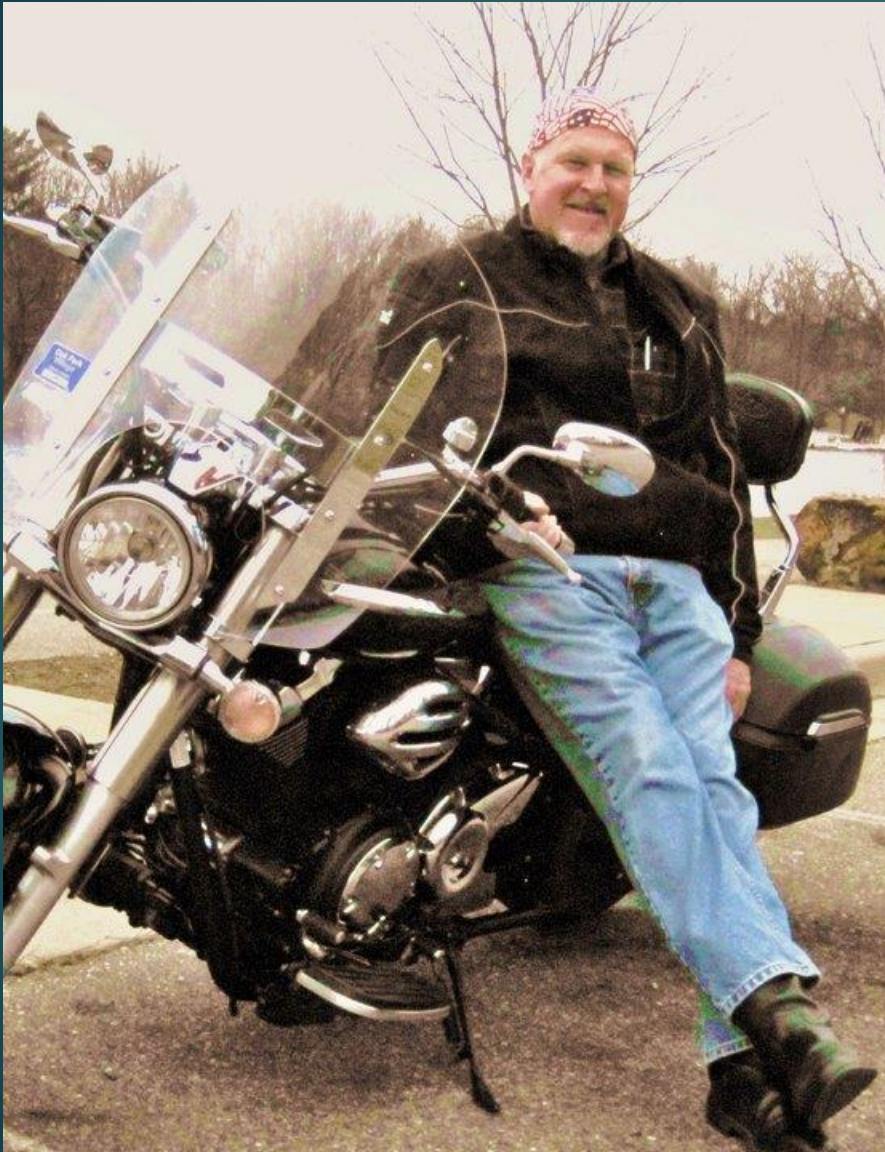


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Family time is the best time!



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Hal is an avid motorcyclist, riding his Harley about 8,000 miles per year!

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Having a little fun every now and again never hurts!



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Thank you, Hal,
for your years of
service and
dedication to the
IOGCC.

