

Illinois Mining Institute

Honorary Members

Listed are honorary members from the beginning of the Institute as far as our records reveal. Honorary members were not approved or elected every year. According to the IMI Constitution and Bylaws adopted June 24, 1913, Article II, Section 2: "Any person of distinction in mining may be elected an honorary member of the Institute by two thirds vote..."

IN 1983, this section of the Constitution was amended to: "Annually, one or more members recommended by a committee and approved by the Executive Board, who has rendered outstanding service to the Illinois Mining Institute, and thereby to the coal industry of the state may be elected as an Honorary Member with dues being waived."

- 1927 *A. J. Moorshead, LaJolla, CA
Hugh Murray, Equality, IL
John Rolla, North Breese Coal Mining Co., Breese, IL*
- 1928 *Frank Tirre, St. Louis, MO*
- 1932 *Thomas R. Stockett, Spring Canyon Coal Co., Spring Canyon, UT*
- 1939 *John F. Goally, Morris, IL
Eugene McAuliffe, Union Pacific Co., Omaha, NB
Thomas Mosses, Bunson Coal Co., Danville, IL*
- 1940 *F. E. Weissenborn, IL Coal Operations Assoc., St. Louis, MO*
- 1945 *J. A. Jefferis, IL Terminal Railroad, St. Louis, MO
W. J. Jenkins, Consolidated Coal Co., St. Louis, MO*
- 1948 *J. W. Starks, IL Dept. of Mines and Minerals, Springfield, IL
L. E. Young, Mining Engineer, Pittsburg, PA*
- 1949 *John E. Jones, Old Ben Coal Corp., West Frankfort, IL
F. S. Pfahler, Superior Coal Co., Chicago, IL
B. E. Schonthal, B. E. Schonthal Co., Inc., Chicago, IL
Paul Weir, Paul Weir Co., Chicago, IL
D. D. Wilcox, Superior Coal Co., Gillespie, IL*
- 1955 *George C. McFadden, Carnac Coal Co., Chicago, IL*
- 1958 *D. W. Buchanan, Jr., Old Ben Coal Corp, Chicago, IL*
- 1961 *Fred S. Wilkey IL Coal Operators Assoc., Chicago, IL*
- 1963 *George M. Wilson, IL State Geological Survey, Urbana, IL*
- 1964 *M. M. Leighton, IL State Geological Survey, Urbana, IL*
- 1965 *Carl T. Hayden, Sahara Coal Co., Chicago, IL*
- 1968 *John W. Broadway, Bell & Zoller Coal Co., Chicago, IL
Jack A. Simon, IL State Geological Survey, Urbana, IL*
- 1969 *B. H. Schull, Benkilley Mining Co., Marion, IL*
- 1970 *J. W. MacDonald, Consultant, Benton, IL*
- 1971 *H. C. McCollum, Peabody Coal Co., St. Louis, MO*

1972 *Frank Nugent, Freeman United Coal Mining Co., Chicago, IL*
 1973 *Paul Halbersledben, Sahara Coal Co., Inc., Harrisburg, IL*
 1974 *Clayton G. Ball, Paul Weir Co., Evanston, IL*
 1975 *C. C. Conway, National Mine Service, Nashville, IL*
 M. E. Hopkins, IL State Geological Survey, Urbana IL
 1976 *Nate G. Perrine, Peabody Coal Co., St. Louis, MO*
 1977 *Cletus A. Broeker, AMAX Coal Co., Indianapolis, IN*
 1978 *Thomas L. Garwood, Freeman United Coal Mining Co., Benton, IL*
 1979 *George C. Lindsay, Coal Mining & Processing, Chicago, IL*
 1980 *Joseph Schonthal, J. Schonthal & Assoc., Highland Park, IL*
 1981 *J. A. Bottomley, Sahara Coal Co., Inc., Harrisburg, IL*
 1982 *Betty Conerty, Illinois Mining Institute, Urbana, IL*
 Joe Craggs, Peabody Coal Co., Taylorville, IL
 1983 *E. T. Moroni, Old Ben Coal Co., Herrin, IL*
 1984 *E. Minor Pace, Inland Steel Coal Co., Mt. Vernon, IL*
 1985 *Russell T. Dawe, Inland Steel Coal Co., Valier, IL*
 1986 *E. H., Roberts, Inland Steel Coal Co., Mt. Vernon, IL*
 1987 *William E. Will, Peabody Coal Co., St. Louis, MO*
 1988 *Lanny Bell, Roberts & Schaefer Co., Chicago, IL*
 1989 *M. V. (Doc) Harrell, Freeman United Coal Mining Co., Mt. Vernon, IL*
 1990 *John C. Bennett, Peabody Coal Co., Belleville, IL*
 1991 *Richard R. Shockley, Center for Research on Sulfur in Coal, Carterville IL*
 1992 *Walter E. Brandlein, Roberts & Schaefer Co., Chicago, IL*
 Dayton McReaken, Zeigler Coal Co., Fairview Heights, IL
 Thomas Sadler, Old Ben Coal Co., Benton IL
 Raymond C. Taucher, Consolidation Coal Co., Pinckneyville, IL
 1993 *Fred Rice, Peabody Coal Co., Beaver Dam, KY*
 1994 *Walter Lucas, Sahara Coal Co., Harrisburg, IL*
 1995 *William H. Mullins, Freeman United Coal Mining Co., West Frankfort, IL*
 1996 *Michael K. Reilly, Zeigler Coal Holding Co., Fairview Heights, IL*
 1997 *Fred Bowman, IL Office of Mines & Minerals, Springfield, IL*
 Heinz H. Damberger, IL State Geological Survey, Champaign, IL
 1998 *Ron Morse, IL EPA, Marion, IL*
 1999 *Joseph W. Spivey, President, IL Coal Assoc., Springfield, IL*
 2000 *Richard Mottershaw, IL Div. Of Mines & Minerals, Springfield, IL*
 2001 *Stephen E. Sharp, General Manager, Arch Coal Co., Waterloo, IL*
 2002 *Irl H. Engelhardt, Peabody Coal Co., St. Louis, MO*
 2003 *Taylor Pensoneau, Illinois Coal Association, Springfield, IL*
 2004 *Fred Bauer, Old Ben Coal Co., Coulterville IL*
 2005 *Joseph Angleton, IDNR, Springfield, IL*
 2006 *Steve Kattenbraker, MSHA, Benton, IL*
 2007 *Eric Quam, Black Beauty Coal Company, Ridge Farm, IL*
 2008 *Mark Cavinder, Willow Lake Mine, Equality, IL*
 2009 *Steve Carter, Knight Hawk Coal Co., Percy IL*
 2010 *Y. Paul Chugh, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, IL*
 2011 *John Mead, Southern Illinois University Coal Research Center, Carbondale, IL*

- 2012 John Howard, Illinois Eastern Community Colleges, Girard, IL*
2013 James (Jim) King, Rend Lake College, Ina, IL
Walton (Evan) Sink, United Mine Workers of America, International
2014 Former Congressmen Kenneth Gray
2015 Paul E. Schirmer
2016 Tim Kirkpatrick

**Affiliations listed are at time of award.*