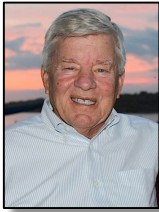




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Dr. David Kimball Wiles



Dr. David Kimball Wiles was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He grew up in Gainesville, Florida and graduated from the PK Yonge Developmental Research School. He received his B.S. from Florida State University where he was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and Army ROTC. He served the U.S. Army honorably in Korea as a First Lieutenant and went on to earn his doctorate from the University of Florida.

As a professor, Dr. Wiles' career took him to a number of institutions, including the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Virginia Tech, Miami University, University of North Florida, SUNY Albany, and Valdosta State University. With a background in political science and education, his work focused on educational policy – specifically race, finance, special education classifications, urban and rural schooling, and school boards. He was known to students and colleagues as a warm, genuine, and supportive person. He retired to St. Augustine, Florida as professor emeritus from SUNY Albany in 1997.

Dr. Wiles spent his retirement as an outspoken environmental advocate, serving in a number of capacities, including commissioner of the Soil and Water Conservation Board; former member of the Planning Zoning Agency; the St. Johns County Roundtable; charter member and president of the South Anastasia Communities Association; and the Friends of Matanzas. He was an enthusiastic advocate for the creation and support of the Matanzas Riverkeeper and worked tirelessly to help enhance the quality of life for his fellow citizens.

Dr. Wiles passed away on August 7, 2016 and is loved and missed by many.