



WSTDA
Honorary Lifetime
Membership Award

October 5, 2016

Charles Lucas
The Crosby Group, LLC





After 45 years with Crosby Group, Charles Lucas retired in 2016 from the industry he has served so well.

On October 5, 2016, the WSTDA Board of Directors presented Charles with Honorary Life Membership in recognition of his significant contributions to the association and the industry.



Charles Lucas



After 45 years with Crosby Group, Charles Lucas retired in 2016 from the industry he has served so well.

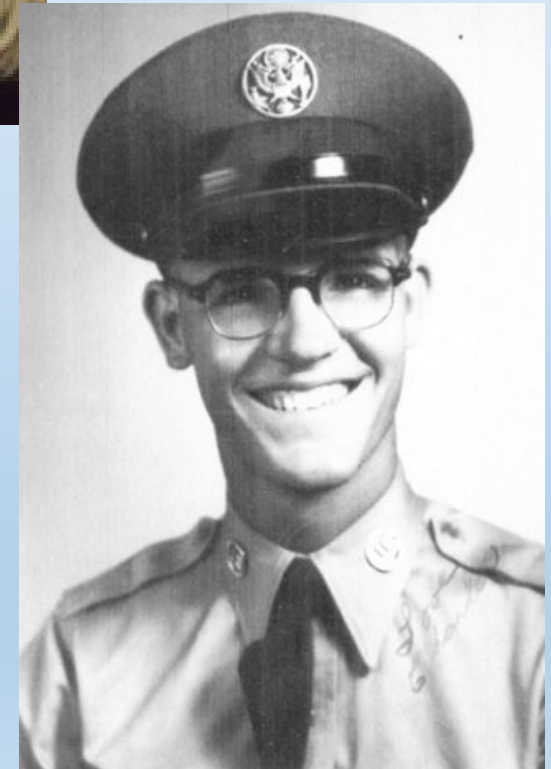
On October 5, 2016, the WSTDA Board of Directors presented Charles with Honorary Life Membership in recognition of his significant contributions to the association and the industry.



Charles Lucas



- In 1951, immediately after graduation from high school, Charles enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, and served four years at Randolph Air Force Base in the Air Training Command.
- He flew with combat crews, training as a research technician on B-29s. In his last year of service, Charles was transferred to the School of Aviation Medicine, where he worked testing pilots who were involved in accidents, preparing them to their return to active duty. Charles, we thank you for your service to our nation.
- Charles graduated from LeTourneau Technical Institute, now LeTourneau University, with a BS in Industrial Science and a minor in Mechanical Science. He graduated as the first honor graduate of his class, and later served on the Board of Trustees of the University.



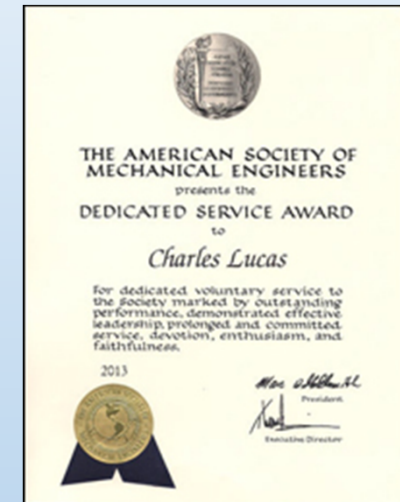


DID YOU KNOW?

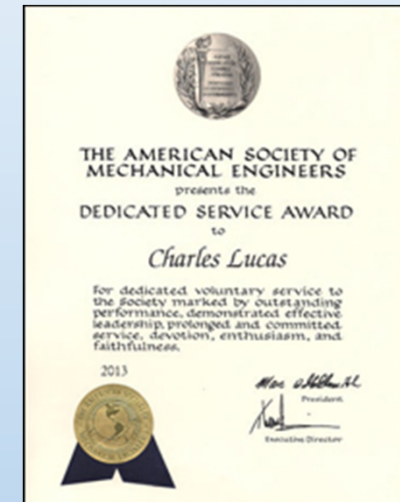
Charles Lucas holds seven patents relating to material handling equipment



- Charles has had a long and distinguished career in our industry; he was employed by Crosby for 45 years, starting as a draftsman during college, and then as an engineer.
- At Crosby, Charles developed a new chain manufacturing operation. In the mid-70s he was promoted to Vice President and General Manager of the Crosby McKissick operation in Tulsa, and in 1978 was promoted to President and General Manager of the Crosby McKissick operation, also in Tulsa.
- In 1987 Charles went back to his engineering roots, as Vice President of Engineering for the Crosby Group where he brought all Crosby product design and development into Tulsa, Oklahoma.



- Charles Lucas' participation in WSTDA began in 1987.
- Charles was elected Vice President of WSTDA in 1998, and served on the Board of Directors for four years.
- He became Chairman of the Testing Committee in 2001, and served in that position until his retirement.
- Charles also served on the AWRF technical committee for 21 years, and on the ASME B-30 committees for 25 years, and was awarded ASME's Certificate of Appreciation by the Board of Standards for developing the B 30.26 "Rigging Hardware Standard." Charles also served on the CVSA vehicle committee for 14 years, and received a Certificate of Appreciation for developing the tie down calculator for enforcement officers and truckers.



- Charles Lucas' participation in WSTDA began in 1987.
- Charles was elected Vice President of WSTDA in 1998, and served on the Board of Directors for four years.
- He became Chairman of the Testing Committee in 2001, and served in that position until his retirement.
- Charles also served on the AWRF technical committee for 21 years, and on the ASME B-30 committees for 25 years, and was awarded ASME's Certificate of Appreciation by the Board of Standards for developing the B 30.26 "Rigging Hardware Standard." Charles also served on the CVSA vehicle committee for 14 years, and received a Certificate of Appreciation for developing the tie down calculator for enforcement officers and truckers.



Through the years, Charles always had the support of his lovely bride, Mary. Mary and Charles have six children, 20 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren... at last count!

