

In Memoriam



Frank Sargent

Feb. 6, 1949 - Nov. 24, 2020

In memory of "Sarge", a great contributor to Arizona's choral music education. Frank directed choirs at Desert Ridge High School, Highland High School and Apache Wells Community Church. He served as a supervisor for student teachers at NAU and was adjunct faculty at Mesa Community College. Frank served as President of Arizona ACDA (2010-2012) and as Vice-President of High School Activities for ACE (2009 - 2011) and Board Member of ACE (2013-2015). Frank brought an amazing amount of experience and leadership to Arizona choral music education. He was highly respected and a wonderful mentor and teacher.

Prior to moving to AZ, Frank was the choral director at Highland Park High School (Dallas, TX) for 21 years. He was also the Chorusmaster for the Dallas Symphony Orchestra from 1981-1983. He held many church choir positions in Texas and leadership positions for TMEA. Frank's education was extensive with degrees from North Park and Midwestern State Universities as well as post graduate work at Westminster Choir College, Baylor, Southern Methodist and the University of North Texas. Frank held Kodaly Level I and II certifications. In addition, Frank has 3 published choral arrangements with Oxford University Press.

Frank will be missed by his colleagues, friends, and students. He was a mentor, an exceptional teacher, an accomplished musician and a wonderful man.