



NUCA of Arizona

Educational Foundation



DAVID CURTIS GUTHRIE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The National Utility Contractors Association of Arizona (NUCA of Arizona) established the David Curtis "Curt" Guthrie Memorial Scholarship Fund in 1986.

Curt Guthrie was renowned for his commitment to the underground construction industry. Curt co-founded McAfee-Guthrie in 1960 with Roy McAfee making their company the longest established pipeline contractor in the state of Arizona. Curt had involved himself with many of the major projects being undertaken by his company. He believed in quality workmanship and worked to push each of his employees to be the best that they could be. Although Curt spent a considerable amount of time at work, he managed to find time for one of his strong personal interests — young people. Besides the time he spent with his own three children, Curt committed time to other young people as well through various activities such as baseball, where he served as a coach for 17 years. In addition, Curt and his partner established an ongoing scholarship fund for students attending Mesa Community College and employed college students part-time as they completed their degrees in a construction related field.

Curt was instrumental in the founding of NUCA of Arizona and served as its first President. He also served as Regional Vice President of the National Utility Contractors Association for one term.

To recognize Curt for his achievements in the construction industry and his sincere commitment to the industry and its future, NUCA of Arizona has dedicated this scholarship to his name and memory.

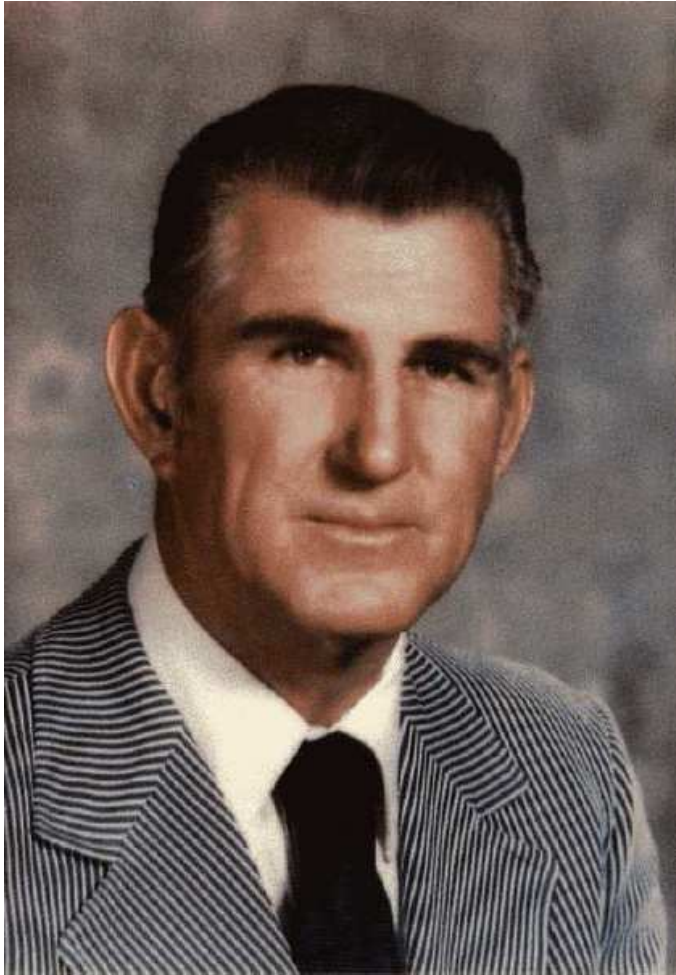
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Criteria and guidelines for applicants:

1. College-bound high school seniors or continuing undergraduate students may apply. Students must be enrolled at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, or the University of Arizona.
2. A minimum grade point average of 2.7 is required. The student's official high school or most recent postsecondary transcript must accompany the application.
3. Applicant must pursue a college education with the intent of obtaining a degree in any profession. There are no restrictions on the field of study.
4. Application forms must be typed.
5. The applicant must type their response to the essay question. The response should be 500 to 750 words in length.
6. The scholarship is available to any applicant whose parents are members or employees of members of NUCA of Arizona
7. The annual scholarship is awarded at the beginning of the fall term and is paid in equal installments at the beginning of each subsequent term (i.e. semester, quarter).
8. The scholarship is renewable based upon annual review. The recipients of the scholarship are expected to make normal progress from year to year and must remain in good academic and disciplinary standing. To be eligible for renewal, students must have carried a course load of at least 12 graded units per term and achieved a minimum of 2.7 GPA for the previous school year.

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DAVID CURTIS "CURT" GUTHRIE (1922 - 1985)

The Daniel Guthrie family settled in Mesa, Arizona in 1913, and it was there that DAVID CURTIS "CURT" GUTHRIE was born on March 4, 1922.

Curt attended Mesa schools, graduating in 1940. Curt was then mobilized with the Arizona National Guard. He served two years with the "Bushmasters" of the 158th Infantry until he was called back from Panama in 1942 to attend Officers' Candidate School in Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon completion of OCS, Curt became a paratrooper assigned to the 101st Airborne. He later became an Instructor at Fort Benning. Curt was honorably discharged from the military in 1944.

In 1952, Curt became associated with Roy E. McAfee in the construction industry and together with Roy was co-founder of McAfee-Guthrie, Inc. Pipeline Construction, which was incorporated in 1960. They were primarily involved in underground water and sewer line construction, as well as water and sewer treatment plants.

McAfee-Guthrie is Arizona's longest established pipeline contractor. In 1964, McAfee-Guthrie opened a branch office in Lake Havasu City and was retained by McCullough Corporation to construct the water and sewer lines for the major portion of development in Lake Havasu City.

Curt was its project manager, and the company's primary activity remained in Lake Havasu until 1972. Although the company has done work statewide, the bulk of its activity since the 70's has been in Maricopa County.

Curt was instrumental in the founding of the Underground Contractors' Association of Arizona and served as its first President. He also served one term as the Regional Vice President of the National Utility Contractors' Association.

Curt was always interested in young people, and he spent 17 years coaching and managing youth baseball teams. In 1943, Curt married Kathleen McAfee. They had three children — sons Tim and Dave, who are both active in the construction industry with McAfee Consolidated — and daughter Judith, who is a U.S. Magistrate for the East Texas Federal Court in Tyler, Texas.

Over the past years, several of the graduates of the ASU Engineering School were employed part-time by McAfee-Guthrie while attaining their college degrees. It was under Curt's tutoring that many of these young men received their practical on-the-job work experience. Since 1968, Curt and his partner, Roy McAfee, have sponsored an ongoing scholarship fund to provide financial aid for students enrolled at Mesa Community College. Curt Guthrie passed away in Mesa on September 24, 1985.