

**Orval Kane**  
**2007 Friend of Education**

As an educator, Orval Kane served students as a teacher and a principal. His commitment to education and the youth of Beaver Dam was evident with his involvement in various activities during his retirement. Orval was the founder of the local Hunter Safety Program, which later served as a model for other community and State Programs. He provided hunter safety education to thousands of young people. His work with the Program was recognized by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Orval was also a decorated World War II military veteran. He remained in the Air Force Reserve where he served as a Liaison Officer as an admission counselor for area graduating students qualified for appointment to the Academy. Through his involvement as a Liaison Officer, Orval counseled and recommended one of the nation's most celebrated astronauts, Donald Slayton, for the United States Air Force Academy, for which he received a commendation for his outstanding service.