

Dave Oxley, B.Sc.F, RPF

Dave Oxley is a homegrown career New Brunswick forester. Born in 1937 and raised in Sussex, he graduated from the University of New Brunswick in 1959 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Forestry. Dave began his career with the New Brunswick Department of Land and Mines. In 1964 Dave joined Fraser Company and worked his way up to the position of woodlands Manager. In 1972 Dave Oxley joined J.D. Irving, Limited. For the next 27 years he led and directed all aspects of the company's woodlands operations and forest management and intensive silviculture.

Over his entire year, Dave focused on improving forest management. He placed great emphasis on research, and helped to build a solid scientific basis for forestry programs in the region. Dave Oxley played a key and central role in the development and implementation of the 1982 New Brunswick Crowns Land and Forest Act. He was an inspirational coach and leader, who always displayed the highest levels of personal and professional integrity. Everyone who knew Dave Oxley admired and respected him.

Dave and his spouse Pierrette raised three children: John, Peter and Jill. Dave and Pierrette continue to live in Rothesay New Brunswick where Dave enjoys his favorite lifelong hobbies of salmon fishing, skiing and working on his woodlots.

Dave Oxley remains an active forester, supporting forestry organizations, and helping to lead salmon conservation initiatives. Mr. Oxley's forestry leadership and his significant contributions to the management of natural resources in the region, well qualify him for entry to the New Brunswick Forestry Hall of Fame.