## Michael Owens Registry of Honor 2020

Michael Owens joined the Sheffield City Schools family in the fall of 1972 after earning a Bachelor of Science Degree from Florence State College in Physical Education and Science. In 1978 he was awarded a AA Degree in Administration and Supervision from Florence State University, (formerly Florence State College).

Mr. Owens served as a teacher and coach for three years at L. E. Willson Middle School before accepting the assistant principal's position at the school. He would later be selected as the principal of L. E. Willson Middle School, which later evolved into L. E. Willson Elementary School, where he served until 1999. He spent the last ten years of his career as the Sheffield City School System's assistant superintendent, retiring in December of 2009.

Mr. Owens states that his greatest accomplishments were serving the children of Sheffield and watching them grow to become productive citizens. He also is extremely proud of all the wonderful teachers, parents and support staff who worked with him during his career. He says, "God surrounded me with a team of very talented and caring teachers and support staff, who made me look good for 37 years. The Sheffield community and parents were very supportive and failure was not an option when it came to our children. I will always cherish the years I spent in the Sheffield City School System."

Mr. Owens and his wife, Regina, live on the family farm in Lawrence County, Alabama. They have three grown children: Amber Owens; Lance Owens and his wife Rachel and their son, Issac; Amy Martin and her husband Rob and their daughters Allie and Ava. Michael enjoys church work, raising cattle, chasing grandchildren and writing songs.