

Tom J. Dugger

November 10, 1948 – October 5, 2026

The Honorable Tom J. Dugger was born on November 10, 1948, in Nowata, OK, to Jack and Estelle Dugger, and passed away in Stillwater, OK, on October 5, 2026. He served the people of Payne and Creek counties as State Senator from 2016 to 2024; and one of his priorities was to secure adequate funding for all levels of education in the State of Oklahoma. The State Chamber of Commerce honored him with a perfect score for his support for economic growth, job creation, and business development. He was an OSU Accounting graduate and worked for Peat-Marwick, the Oklahoma Publishing Company, and Aufleger-Garrett before forming his own company, Dugger and Company, in 1986. Tom served 6 years on the Stillwater City Council, served as vice mayor, was a regent for Northern Oklahoma College, was recognized as OSU's Distinguished Accounting Alumnus, in addition to being recognized nationally in 1995 as the Chamber of Commerce National Business Advocate of the year. In addition to providing leadership and volunteering extensively, he was involved in many state and local boards and organizations. He was a veteran of the Oklahoma National Guard and a member of the First Christian Church in Stillwater. Tom is survived by his wife, Ann; son Jim (Dr. Layla Dugger), Fort Worth, TX; his brother, Charles (Lee Ann) Dugger, sister-in-law, Vera Yirsa, and special family friend, Emily McMorries of Dallas.