

ED LYON



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Ed was born and raised in Ventura, the son of oil industry pioneers Harry and Dorothy Lyon.

Ed and his wife, Pat, are the proud parents of five children: Dan and his wife, Luz; Kathy and her husband, Dan Gremaud; [Ron Lyon](#); [Venessa and her husband, Brady Hale](#); and [Jim and Brandy](#). Ed and Pat also have nine grandchildren.

After graduation from Ventura High School, Ed joined the Marine Corps. Later, he attended Ventura College, San Jose State and then graduated from California Lutheran University with a Master's Degree in Public Policy.

Ed has more than 50 years of business and education advocacy experience, having founded an engineering construction company and co-founded a refinery in Ventura. For the past 15 years, Ed has dedicated his life to the nonprofit sector of our community, including serving as President of Santa Clara High School, Director of the Ventura County School to Career Network, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Ed's community involvement and honors include Past Chair and Lifetime Honorary Board Member of the Ventura County Economic Development Association, and Founding Chair of the California State University Ventura Task Force (leading to the establishment of Cal State Channel Islands).

Ventura County educators recognize Ed each year by presenting the Ed Lyon Excellence Award to the teacher who develops the most creative curriculum in the area. He also has served as Grand Marshal of the Ventura County Fair parade; was named Western States Petroleum Association Oil Man of the year; received the Jim Cowen Educator of the Year Award; and twice was honored as Ventura County Businessman of the Year.

Ed and Pat began their 30-year relationship with Saint Bonaventure High School in 1984 when son Ron started as an incoming freshman. Ed supported the booster club, football, basketball, volleyball and track teams, the Fiesta and the Parent Teacher Guild, as well as fund-raising efforts for the school. Ed is a past President of the Parent Teacher Guild, which helped oversee fund-raising efforts to support student and teacher staff. The Guild started the Einstein & Wine program, raising monies to buy computers, and upgrade the school library and gym. Ed continues to be a cheerleader for St. Bonny sports to this day.

Each member of the Lyon family has had a significant commitment to Saint Bonaventure, including Ron, Venessa and Jim who went to school here; Dan who coached football at St. Bonny for 12 years; Dan's wife, Luz, who coached Volleyball for 7 years; Ed's wife, Pat, who was Youth Minister at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church and organized many retreats for the school for many years. Daughter Kathie and her husband, Dan Gremaud, have two children, Monique and PJ, who attended St. Bonny, and [Maddy who is a currently in the 10th grade](#).

Ed continues to be a loyal Seraph, involved in its athletic program. As Ventura County Director of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, he is immersed in the life character of the students. Ed's goal is to equip, empower and encourage students to make a difference for Christ.

Ed is being presented by his sons, Dan, Ron and Jim.