

## Craig Young Class of 2019



Craig graduated from Oroville High School (OHS) in 1972 and was a member of the National Honor Society as a sophomore. He was a varsity wrestler for three years, played baseball and boxed as a freshman, sophomore, and senior, ran cross country as a freshman and was a member of Block O all four years. He was a member of the Spanish Club and Student Council as a freshman and the Key Club as a senior.

Following graduation from OHS, Craig earned his AA degree in accounting from Butte College, and his BS degree in Business Administration from California State University, Chico (CSUC). He earned his Certificate in Finance from Columbia University in New York.

Craig recently retired as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MegaPath Corporation, a Telecommunications business and Internet Provider company in Pleasanton, CA. MegaPath provided world class managed IP services that securely connected large enterprise businesses to their customers and employees worldwide. Prior to joining MegaPath in 2004, Craig was the President and Vice Chairman of AT&T Canada and CEO at MetroNet. He also held various high-level executive positions at Brooks Fiber Properties, Ameritech Custom Business Services, US West Communications and Executone Information Systems. Craig spent over 35 years in the Telecommunications and Data Com business.

In 2001, Craig was honored by CSUC as Distinguished Alumni of the Year. Over the years, Craig has been recognized and honored numerous times for his outstanding sales performance and management leadership. In 1988, he received the US West Executive Leadership Award for five years running, 2007-2011, and won Deloitte's 500 Fastest Growing Company Award.

Being an extremely busy CEO, Craig managed to find time to serve his communities of residence as Boy Scouts of America Explorer leader in Oroville and board member in Colorado. He was also a board member for the Ronald McDonald House in Colorado and a Toys-for-Tots annual drive sponsor while living in Southern California.

Craig and his wife Joan, OHS 1974, wanted to give back to the Oroville community, and in 2001 established the Joan Gilbert Young and Craig Young Scholarship. The four-year scholarships are annually awarded to two OHS seniors, affording them the opportunity for assistance in funding their four-year college education. Funding is sufficient enough that the two scholarships are perpetual and are awarded annually.

Craig and Joan have two sons and three grandchildren, and split their time between homes in Laguna Niguel, California and Kenai, Alaska.

