

Chester County
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Jordan Award for Lifelong Philanthropy
significant, comprehensive philanthropic achievements

David M. Frees, Jr.



David Frees has devoted a lifetime to community involvement, demonstrating a profound commitment to philanthropy, particularly in the areas of health, human services, and historic preservation. His direct participation with consolidating the United Way into one organization and working with the Phoenixville Area YMCA Endowment Fund and Heritage Club are just two examples of this involvement.

Mr. Frees has served in leadership positions as President of the Phoenixville Jaycees and President of the Phoenixville Chamber of Commerce. He also helped establish the Historical Society of the Phoenixville Area and find a permanent home for the artifacts. He also served on the Board of Phoenixville Hospital, and the Phoenixville Community Health Foundation.

State Representative Carole A. Rubley noted, “David Frees has spent a lifetime of personal involvement trying to make certain that the overall quality of life within the Phoenixville community and throughout the county is the best it could be.”

Mr. Frees is a member of St. John Lutheran Church and past-President of the Church Council. He has served on the Stewardship Committee and taught Sunday school for over 30 years.

David is married to Mary Jane Frees. They have 3 children and 5 grandchildren, all of whom are involved in community service and family philanthropy.

Mr. Frees has a deep love and respect for the community in which he lives. With over 50 years of service, in virtually every capacity, he serves as an inspiration and as a model for all to follow.