

KENNETH DIERSCHKE

President

Texas Farm Bureau

Kenneth Dierschke of San Angelo became president of the Texas Farm Bureau and its affiliated companies in December 2002. He was elected to the TFB Board of Directors in December 1996, and became vice president in 2000. In January 2003, he was elected to the American Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors. He also serves on the Boards of Directors of Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company and Farm Bureau Bank, and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Farm Bureau Bank.

Dierschke is a member of the United States Trade Representatives Advisory Council. Since 1998, Dierschke has served as agricultural representative on the Region F Water Planning Group created by Senate Bill 1. In 2004 and 2005, he served on the Conservation Task Force for the Texas Water Development Board. He serves on the Cotton Board, served on its executive committee, and is a director of the Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association. He also serves as a member of the USDA Trade Representative Advisory Committee and has served on the American Farm Bureau Trade Advisory Committee.

Dierschke served on the Tom Green County Farm Bureau Board of Directors from 1975 until his election to the TFB Board in 1996, and he served for two terms as Tom Green County Farm Bureau president. He has also served on TFB's Blue Ribbon Goals Committee, State Resolutions Committee, and Cotton Advisory Committee.

Dierschke has also been honored with the Area Chapter Farmer Award from the Wall FFA and was selected as the Concho Soil & Water District Farmer of the Year.

Dierschke is a fourth generation farmer who raises cotton and milo. He graduated from Wall High School and attended San Angelo College (now Angelo State University).

Dierschke and his wife, Binnie, are members of Holy Angels Catholic Church, where he has served on the parish council, including a term as president, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. They were honored as Holy Angels Catholic Church "Family of the Year" in 1990. They have two sons and a daughter, and are the proud grandparents of seven grandchildren.