John C. Graves 1928 - 1995



Mr. Graves was the President of Graves Drilling Company, Inc. which was incorporated in El Dorado, Kansas in 1959. He drilled early on in Eastern Kansas near Arkansas City and Winfield. Later, he drilled for Cities Service in the El Dorado pool. Mr. Graves moved to Central Kansas and South Central Kansas and began drilling in the Gyp Hills near Medicine Lodge. He was a member of the Kansas Independent Gas and Oil Association (KIOGA), IPAA, Independent Association of Drilling Contractors and the Kansas Oil & Gas Compact.