



Joe L. Davis, Jr.

Joe L. Davis, Jr. is a lifelong Floridian who was born in Highlands County and grew up in Hardee County. He holds a business degree from the University of Florida (B.S.B.A. 1973). He also earned a law degree from the University of Florida (J.D. 1976), and is a member of the Florida Bar Association. He is also a licensed Florida real estate broker and Florida certified general appraiser.

He is an orange grove owner who manages approximately 2500 acres of Davis family groves in Highlands, Hardee, DeSoto, and Polk Counties. He is President of Davis Citrus Management, Inc., and Davis Enterprises, Inc., and an officer and director of Joe L. Davis, Inc. Realtors.

Davis is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Florida Orange Marketers, of Orange Grower's Marketing Association, and of Gator Boosters, Inc.

Davis is a former Chairman of the Board of the following organizations:

Florida's Natural Growers, a division of Citrus World, Inc. (the largest federated cooperative in Florida with thirteen members who own over 50,000 acres of Florida Citrus groves);

Southwest Florida Water Management District;

Peace River Basin Board;

Florida Department of Citrus Harvesting Research Council; and

the Hardee County Industrial Development Authority.

Joe and his wife, Gloria, reside near Wauchula, and have three daughters, Laurel, Ashley, and Savannah.