Welcome to the Staff Celebration and Convocation
October 20, 2020
STREAMING ONLINE FROM THE GEORGE W. BUSH INSTITUTE
AUDITORIUM AT 10:30 A.M.
HONORING STAFF EXCELLENCE, NEW INDUCTEES OF THE 25TH
YEARS OF SERVICE CLUB AND STAFF AWARD RECIPIENTS.
World Changers Shaped Here
SMU
25 Years of Service

R. Gerald Turner

- President, Southern Methodist University since 1995
- Served on the boards of the American Council on Education and the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, including the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics for nearly ten years.
- In Texas, served on the board of the Methodist Health System Foundation, the Salvation Army of Dallas, the AT&T Performing Arts Center, and the publicly funded symphony.
- Before SMU, he was the chancellor of the University of Mississippi and served in administrative positions at the University of Oklahoma and Pennsylvania State University.
- Past president of the Association of American Universities, director of the National Center for Research on the First Generation in Higher Education, and a member of the board of governors of the University of Texas System.
- Married to Gail Turner, has two married daughters and four grandchildren.
Oh we see the Varsity, Varsity, Varsity,
As she towers o'er the hill
Over there.
And our hearts are filled with joy,
SMU, SMU,
Alma Mater, we'll be true
Forever!