

RUSSELL W. PETERSON (PHS 1934)

Serving as President of his senior class, Mr. Peterson was also a member of the football, basketball and track teams at Portage High School. Mr. Peterson credits his high school chemistry teacher as encouraging his interest in chemistry, earning a doctorate before beginning a career at the DuPont Company and residing in Wilmington, DE. After his career at DuPont, Mr. Peterson served in such prestigious organizations as the National Audubon Society, the Better World Society and the President's Council on Environmental Quality. A former Vice Chairman of the U.S. delegation to the United Nation's Conference on Human Settlements, Mr. Peterson served as Governor of the State of Delaware from 1969 to 1973 (the first governor of any state to hold a doctorate in science). Recognition of Mr. Peterson's many accomplishments is reflected in his 15 honorary doctorates and a wildlife refuge which bears his name.

For more information regarding Mr. Peterson, please refer to [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russell W. Peterson](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russell_W._Peterson)