

James Larry Flannery '67

"Terrific guy" is a good listener is the headline that described Warren County Domestic Relations Judge James L. Flannery in June 1998 when the Cincinnati Enquirer featured a story about Flannery. The occasion was the awarding of the Nicholas Longworth III Alumni Achievement Award from the graduating class of the University of Cincinnati College of Law.

James Larry Flannery was born in 1949 and graduated from NHS in 1967. He received a B.S. in Business Law in 1971 from Bowling Green State University and in 1974 earned his law degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Law. James began his association with Warren County in 1973 when he served as a law clerk for the county prosecutor's office. Upon receiving his law degree, he became the Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and was appointed Prosecuting Attorney in 1980. He served in this position until 1986 when he was elected to the newly-created judgeship of the Domestic Relations Court (Common Pleas Court) of Warren County. He was re-elected in 1992 and 1998 and is currently serving in that position.

Besides being a member of the Warren County and Ohio Bar Associations, Judge Flannery was a member of the Executive Committee of the Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association, is a Past President of the Ohio Association of Domestic Relations Judges, and has been a member of the Ohio Family Task Force. He has taught family-related courses to various bar associations and judges associations.

In addition to his receiving the Longworth Distinguished Alumnus award from the U. C. Law School, he was the recipient of the award for Outstanding Voluntary Service to the Warren County Family Abuse Shelter in 1994, and again in 1994 was the recipient of the Public Official of the Year Award from the Ohio Chapter of the Social Workers, Region 6. In keeping with his family-oriented values, James is a Past President of the Warren County Adult New Readers Program (adult literacy).

Speaking of family, James has been married to Sue Ann (Slinger) since 1971. Sue has taught art in the Middletown Public Schools for 33 years. They have two children. Angela graduated Cum Laude from Otterbein University in 2001. Andrew is a candidate for graduation at Wilmington College.