

SHERMAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

Wall of Fame

JOSEPH "JOE" SVENTEK

Inducted 2011



Joe Sventek, son of Joseph and Shirley Sventek of Sherman, NY, was born 29 January 1952, in Corry, PA and moved to Sherman, NY in 1961. He graduated as Valedictorian of the Class of '69 from Sherman Central School. He was awarded a BA in Mathematics, *cum laude*, by the University of Rochester in 1973 and received a PhD in Nuclear Chemistry from the University of California in 1979.

Since receiving his PhD, Joe has had a distinguished Computer Science research career, holding the following posts: member of technical staff at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory (1979-1986), distinguished engineer at Hewlett-Packard Laboratories (1987-1999), research fellow at Agilent Laboratories (1999-2002), and full Professor in the Computing Science Department at the University of Glasgow (2002-present). He is also currently the Head of the School of Computing Science at the University of Glasgow.

Joe developed some of the initial technology behind the Internet, and was a principal contributor to various standards used in networked and distributed systems. He has successfully spun out a startup company from Hewlett-Packard Laboratories. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in 1973. He is an elected fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, the Institution of Engineering and Technology, and the British Computer Society. He is also a senior member of the Institution of Electronic and Electrical Engineers.

Joe is married to Virginia A. Tucker of San Francisco, CA. Joe and Virginia have two sons, Joshua and Gabriel, and one granddaughter, Sonora.