



**Manchester Elks Citizen of the Year Committee**

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The Manchester Elks Lodge 1893

Honors

**Nate Agostinelli**

as the 2016

Elks Citizen of the Year



2016 Citizen of the Year

**Saturday, September 17, 2016**

Elks Lodge 30 Bissell Street Manchester

*The Manchester Elks Lodge 1893 has selected  
Nathan G Agostinelli as 2016 Elks Citizen of the Year.  
The award is given to a citizen who exhibits exemplary  
contributions in the areas of youth,  
veterans or community.*

Nate Agostinelli was born to Albert and Gilda Agostinelli, immigrants from Magaliano Sabina, Italy. He was married to Helena Hare until her death in 1986. Nate and Helene had two children, Michael and Steven. Nate also had a brother Henry and has a special friend and companion of many years, Elsie Tartaglia.

To succeed in life, in either business, military or politics, a person is considered to be very successful. To succeed in all three fields is almost impossible. Nate has accomplished this rare feat.

In politics, Nate was elected and re-elected Mayor of Manchester, then elected Comptroller of the State of Connecticut (the only person in the history of Manchester to be elected to a State-wide office). Also elected Chairman of the Capitol Region Council of Governments (29 towns) and State Chairman for the election of Ronald Reagan for President. In addition to many awards, he was involved in most major events in Manchester between 1966 and 2003.

In the military, Nate was drafted into the United States Army during the Korean War. Served as an enlisted man, then attended Artillery OCS at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, commissioned 2nd Lieutenant. Upon separation, served with the reserves for a few years, then joined Connecticut Army National Guard, retiring with rank of Brigadier General. He was then appointed by the Secretary of the Army as Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army for Connecticut. And later appointed by President Clinton as Director of Selective Service for the State of Connecticut. Nate has received many awards and medals during his Military career.

In Business, he was President of the very successful Manchester State Bank for 25 years until it was acquired by the New England Bank and served on the Board as Executive Vice President. Also as President of Suburban Bankers Association, Advisory Board, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Member American Bankers Association, State Representative-Independent Bankers of America.

Always a leader, Nate has received over 100 plaques, awards and citations over his many years.

**A Brief Summary:**

1. Voted by the Connecticut State Employee's Association Outstanding State Official
2. Outstanding Civilian Service Medal presented by the Secretary of the Army
3. Presidential Commendation - presented by the President of the United States
4. Inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame (First Class, First Inductee)
5. Inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
6. Inducted into the Manchester Sports Hall of Fame
7. CT National Guard Minuteman Award for Exemplary Patriotism-Person of the Year
8. National Guard Association of the United States-Patrick Henry Award for Outstanding Service
9. Leukemia Society-Man of the Year Award
10. B'nai B'rith, Charter Oak Chapter-Community Service Award
11. Founded the Manchester Sports Hall of Fame with Earl Yost, Steve Cassano

**Program**

7:00 PM

<i>Opening Announcements</i>	Chris Malone, Co-Chairman
<i>What is the Elks COY Award</i>	Gerry Gallo, Co-Chairman
<i>Opening Ceremony</i>	Maj. Gen. David Gay (Ret.)
<i>Presentation of the Colors</i>	Army National Guard
<i>National Anthem</i>	Dennis Nevin
<i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>	All in Attendance
<i>Invocation</i>	Rev. Kevin Cavanaugh
<i>Welcome to Manchester Lodge</i>	Exalted Ruler Lorin Falvo
<i>Mayor's Welcome</i>	Jay Moran
<i>Dinner Instructions</i>	Chris Malone

**Dinner**

<i>MARC Inc.</i>	Kevin Zingler
<i>Testimonial</i>	Wally Irish, Jr., Master of Ceremonies
<i>Speakers</i>	Bob Steele Carl Zinsser Joseph Camposeo Maj. Gen. David Gay (Ret.) William McGurk
<i>Introduction of the Citizen of the Year</i>	Gerry Gallo
<i>COY Recipient Remarks</i>	Brig. Gen. Nathan Agostinelli (Ret.)
<i>Benediction</i>	Rev. Kevin Cavanaugh
<i>God Bless America</i>	Dennis Nevin