

# *NAIFA-Texas Awards Program*

## 2024 John M. Ruckel Lifetime Achievement Award



The John M. Ruckel Lifetime Achievement Award is NAIFA-Texas' top-ranking award that recognizes the most prestigious and successful members in our association. The award is named after long-standing NAIFA-Texas member, John M. Ruckel, who began his career in June 1969.

John served as President of the Texas Chapter of National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA-Texas) from 1987 to 1988 and went on to serve as President of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA National) from 1999 to 2000.

John received the NAIFA-Texas Lifetime Achievement Award in 2007 for his outstanding commitment and contributions to the organization. The award was aptly named after the outstanding John M. Ruckel in 2024 following a unanimous decision by the NAIFA-Texas Board of Directors.

The John M. Ruckel Lifetime Achievement Award recipients are selected by the NAIFA-Texas Awards Committee after thorough consideration. Recipients of the award must have a minimum of twenty (20) years of continuous membership in NAIFA-Texas, demonstrate significant contributions to NAIFA-Texas, including local and/or state leadership involvement, contribute to the NAIFA-Texas Political Action Committee (PAC), and contribute to the insurance and financial services industry.

**The NAIFA-Texas Board of Directors is proud to announce the 2024 John M. Ruckel Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient, T. Leslie Littleton, CLU, LUTCF.**

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T. Leslie Littleton, CLU, LUTCF

*NAIFA-Pineywoods of East Texas, Financial Security Advocate*

T. Leslie 'Les' Littleton and his family are originally from San Antonio, Texas. Les entered the insurance business in 1978 in Longview, Texas and has resided in Nacogdoches, Texas

since 1991.

Les quickly became involved with the Texas Chapter of National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA-Texas) and served on several local, state, and national committees since joining in 1980, including serving as the NAIFA-Texas State PAC Committee Chair. He went on to serve as Local Chapter President in Longview from 1989 to 1990, Local Chapter President in Lufkin/Nacogdoches from 1992 to 1993, and the NAIFA-Texas State President from 2003 to 2004.

Les has been a member of the Texas Rangers Foundation since 1994. The Foundation exists to raise funds for the scholarships of those Texas Rangers whose children are going to college in the law enforcement degree area. He was a Board Member of the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame Museum from 2009 to 2018.

Les is involved in his community as a member of the First Christian Church, Lions Club, and volunteers for the March of Dimes. Les has been married to his wife Pat for 54 years. They have one son, Tracy, and one grandson, Trenton.

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