

Scott D. Sheffield 1952-Present Inducted 2013

Scott D. Sheffield was born in Dallas, Texas, on June 4, 1952. After attending the American School in Tehran, Iran, he earned his B.S. in Petroleum Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin in 1975. He began his career as a reservoir engineer with Amoco Production Company. In 1979, Sheffield became the fifth employee of Parker and Parsley Petroleum Company where he was the sole staff engineer. He was named CEO in 1984 and then elected Chairman of the Board in 1991 of the newly listed public company. Parker & Parsley, under Sheffield's leadership, was active in mergers, acquisitions, and development of the Spraberry oil field in West Texas. The company's merger with MESA, Inc. in 1997 formed Pioneer Natural Resources.

Today, Pioneer is considered a world leader in developing liquids-rich shale plays and is one of the largest public oil and gas independents in North America with an enterprise value of \$19 billion and approximately 1.1 billion barrels of oil equivalent proved reserves and 8 billion barrels of additional resource potential. Sheffield serves as chairman and CEO and oversees operations in Texas, Kansas, Colorado, and Alaska.

Through Pioneer, and personally with his wife Kimberley, Sheffield makes substantial contributions in support of important causes in the communities where Pioneer operates, especially in the Permian Basin, sponsoring youth programs and math and science education, the Bush Tennis Center and the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum.

In 2013, the Permian Basin Petroleum Association honored Sheffield with its prestigious "Top Hand Award" and he was the recipient of the 2012 National Multiple Sclerosis Society's "Hope Award."