



**Mac O. Boring, Sr.**  
**1890 – 1966**  
**Inducted 1987**

Mac O. Boring had already worked for a forerunner of Texaco in Louisiana and Wyoming before he joined the Gulf Oil Company in 1920 as a driller. Within two years he was transferred to their San Angelo office as head of the land department and was teamed with two geologists, H.B. Fuqua and O.C. “Kip” Harper. During this time, Harper created his famed map, “Deep Permian Basin Post-Cretaceous Uplift,” a comprehensive geologic analysis of the area. With this map, Boring was able to convince Gulf executives of the potential of the Permian Basin. Boring was transferred to Gulf’s Fort Worth office where he could oversee all of their West Texas operations. He personally oversaw the leasing of thousands of acres in the Permian Basin, many of which developed into major oil fields. Boring retired from Gulf in 1945 and partnered with his son, Mac. O. Boring, Jr., to form Dixilyn. From one \$75,000 rig, the two men built the company into a publicly owned enterprise listed on the American Stock Exchange.