

Arthur E. Slaughter (-1991)

Former Michigan State Geologist Arthur E. Slaughter died on Wednesday, December 18, 1991, in Lansing. After earning bachelors and masters degrees in geology at Michigan State University, Art joined the Michigan Department of Conservation in 1950, and was put in charge of a new office at Escanaba in 1954. While at that office, he helped in the formation of Bay de Noc Community College and taught some geology classes there.

Art Slaughter went to Lansing in 1968 when he was appointed chief of the Water Section of the Department of Natural Resources. He was selected as Michigan's 13th State Geologist in 1971. He led the Division of Geological Survey for ten years during a time of rapid growth of oil and gas exploration and development. During this time of expansion, the controversial discovery of oil and gas in the Pigeon River Country State Forest was made. Art retired in 1981. He Will be greatly missed by AASG.

