

S-VE Graduate of Distinction

Doug Thornton

Class of 1970



Douglas R. Thornton graduated from Spencer-Van Etten in 1970 and went on to attend Adirondack Community College. Mr. Thornton graduated from the Florida Police Academy at St. Leo's College in 1973, where he then became a patrolman. Mr. Thornton then graduated from Professional Insurance Agents School at Oberlin College, Ohio and became an agent/owner of Spencer Agency Inc., Spencer.

Mr. Thornton became a Rural Letter Carrier for the United States Postal Service, Spencer, until retirement. Mr. Thornton was nominated to the Board of Directors for the S-VE Community Services Corporation in 2007 and the Board of Trustees of the Spencer Historical Society. Mr. Thornton serves as the committee chairman for the Chamber of Commerce's Annual Collector Car Show. Mr. Thornton was nominated "Hero of Conservation" by Field and Stream magazine in 2011. Also in 2011, Mr. Thornton created the S-VE Sportsman's Club and launched the Annual Sportsman's Day Event.