Professor Charles L. (Chuck) Burton Retires After 47 Years

The College of Engineering recognizes Professor Charles L. (Chuck) Burton for 47 years of teaching, leadership and service at Kansas State University. Chuck received his B.S. in Civil Engineering in 1963 from Kansas State University and his M.S. in Architectural Engineering in 1975 from the University of Kansas. He has 54 years of experience as a general mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems designer and firm owner as well as 54 years as a construction company owner and project manager. Burton has been involved in Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (CERL) research for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He has provided seminars and workshops nationwide on all facets of design and construction.

After spending time in industry, he joined the faculty of the Department of Architectural Engineering and Construction Science in 1970. Chuck has been an outstanding teacher and has taught a wide variety of classes within the department. In recent years he has been focusing in plumbing systems design and construction. He makes special connections with the students and is widely respected by alumni and in industry. Chuck has helped countless students get internships or entry level positions as a result of his industry contacts. He served as department head from 1989 to 1994 and served in many leadership positions within the department through the years. He will be missed.