

Alan B. Christopherson (1952 - 2008)



Alan B. Christopherson was born May 5, 1952 in Seattle, Washington. He received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Washington and a master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Mr. Christopherson came to Alaska with the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company in 1975. He later worked for R & M Consultants, and then joined PND Engineers in 1981.

Mr. Christopherson worked on many noted projects around the state including the Alaska SeaLife Center, Whittier Access Tunnel, Kuparuk River Bridge, and Alyeska's spill response facility in Valdez. Earning many prestigious awards for his work, Mr. Christopherson was recognized as Alaska's Engineer of the Year in 2003. He was also designated as a Fellow by the American Society of Civil Engineers in 2007. In addition, Mr. Christopherson was interviewed in 2002 for the Discovery Channel's "Extreme Engineering" series.

Mr. Christopherson also served as director of the Architects and Engineers Insurance Co., commissioner and deputy chairman for the Municipality of Anchorage Urban Design Committee, and chairman of directors for Chugach Electric Association.

Mr. Christopherson passed away February 1, 2008 in Anchorage, Alaska. He is survived by his wife, Mary, and their two children, Andrew and Ashley.