

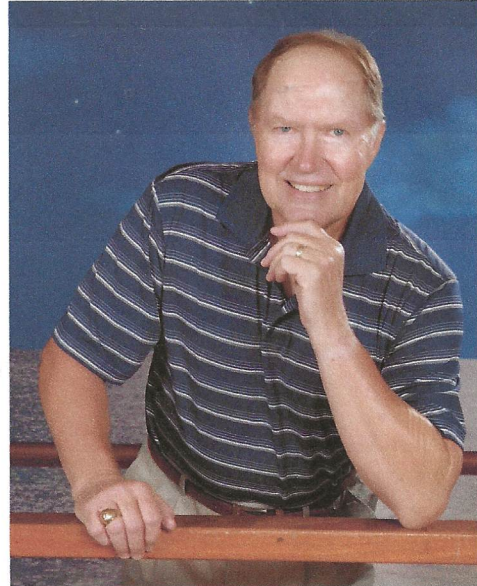
## Tom Anderson – for Re-Election to Poetry Town Council

### Finish What We Started in 2021

I was born in 1948 and raised in Edna, Texas. I graduated from Texas A&M University in 1970 with a BS degree in Chemical Engineering. I also married Linda Robertson in 1970. After graduation from Texas A&M I worked for Gulf Oil in refinery operations in Port Arthur, Texas and Cincinnati, Ohio. I later worked for Mobil Oil in Beaumont, Texas. I earned an MBA degree from Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas. I am a licensed Professional Engineer in Texas.

Linda and I lived most of our lives in Texas, but we also lived seven years in Saudi Arabia. I worked for Saudi Aramco in planning for refineries, gas plants, pipelines and terminals. We traveled extensively through the Middle East, camping in the desert, sailing, scuba diving, and visiting sites of ancient civilizations. I also learned to speak Arabic. Our daughter was born while we lived in Saudi Arabia.

After living in Saudi Arabia we moved to Sunnyvale, Texas. I worked in Dallas for a petroleum consulting firm on refinery assessments, investments and litigation. I made presentations to oil companies, governments, financial institutions and communities. We moved to Poetry in 2002 to breed, raise and show Arabian horses. I was president of an international consulting firm when I retired in 2011 to care for Linda, who was ailing. She died in 2012. In 2013 I married Evie Harper, a widow who has been in Poetry since 1995. Evie and I attend St. John Catholic Church in Terrell, Texas.



When I was elected to the Poetry council in 2021 I committed to three goals: (1) establish the needed legal systems and ordinances, (2) create a sound financial base to make the town sustainable, and (3) develop an organization, and the town hall, for conducting the town's business.

Over the past two years we have made considerable progress in developing most of the necessary ordinances, revenue sources, budgets and management systems. Roads are a particular need. Beginning in 2023 we should have revenue from our new sales and use tax to address our roads.

In my view, we now have three primary areas of focus: undertake extensive road repairs using our newly approved sales and use tax, complete the town hall building, and modify the council meeting agenda to be more productive.

**My overall goal is to Finish What We Started in 2021.** Thank you for taking time to consider the needs of Poetry in this election. My email is: [cm.anderson@poetrytexas.org](mailto:cm.anderson@poetrytexas.org).