

Ken Bartels, DVM, MS

Dr. Kenneth Bartels is a native of Clinton, Iowa, and graduated from Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1973. He spent two years on active duty in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps and retired after 27 years of service in the Reserve as a Colonel in the Army Veterinary Corps. From 1975-1978, he attended Colorado State University where he completed a surgical residency and received a M.S. degree in veterinary surgery. After spending four years in private practice in Iowa and Utah, he joined the faculty at Oklahoma State University in 1982.

He currently holds the McCasland Professorship in Laser Surgery and the Kerr Chair for Biophotonics in the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, and is Director of the Surgical Laser Laboratory. He is the faculty advisor for the Student Chapter of the American Animal Hospital Association and the professional fraternity Omega Tau Sigma. Dr. Bartels serves on the University Faculty Council as Vice Chair. He has published over 75 articles, written seven book chapters, and one book involving surgery and the use of lasers in both man and animals. Dr. Bartels serves as the American Veterinary Medical Association's representative to the American National Standards Institute Committee for Laser Safety in Medical Facilities, and serves as the Delegate for the Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association to the AVMA where he is also a member of the House Advisory Committee. He is Past President of the Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Bartels and his wife Jan, a registered nurse, have one daughter, Elizabeth, who is a physician and a son-in-law, Blake, who is a lawyer. His hobbies include bird hunting, fishing, and boating. He is involved in Stillwater Lion's Club as past president, is past president of the Oklahoma Lion's Eye Bank, and is a Past Chair of the Stillwater Park Board. Dr. Bartels is a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Stillwater.