

William J. "Joey" Bloodworth

William J. "Joey" Bloodworth began working with Pineview State Bank on December 1, 1976, freshly from graduating high school, but not after first harvesting his first crop of corn and soybeans. Joey's first induction into his 45 years of career banking began with him on the teller line and then progressing into learning about consumer loans which led to commercial and ag loans. With increased responsibilities and talents, he was appointed as Vice President of the Pineview bank. In December 1991, Mr. John M. Bloodworth, Joey's father, who was the current President of Pineview State Bank, retired, and Joey was promoted to President of the bank. Joey served in that capacity, and when Planters First Bank acquired Pineview State Bank, he continued his leadership at that location.

Under his tenure at the Pineview branch, Joey served 44 years in that location along with Ms. Lucia Edalgo, who worked alongside Joey until she retired in December 2020. On December 31, 2020, the Pineview branch of Planters First Bank was closed. Joey then transferred his office to the Hawkinsville branch of Planters First Bank, and he has served the bank's customers without fail and with the same level of quality that he has done during his entire time with the bank.

Joey has been the community banker choice to many customers, some being 3 generation relationships. His customers have been just as loyal to Joey as he has been to them.

Joey married his wife, Debbie Love Bloodworth, in July 1979. They made their home in Pineview and have three children, Steven Bloodworth, Lindsey Fincher, and Katie Roberts. Joey and Debbie also have ten grandchildren. Debbie has always supported me in my work and has been a source of encouragement for all these years. Joey is a member of Pope City Baptist Church.

Aside of many aspects of his banking career and involvement with his church, Joey has also farmed for many years. His hard work ethic not only shows in his position with the bank but also in the time after work that he works on his family farm. Joey has also devoted his time and talents to his community. He has coached T-Ball and little league alongside Buddy Faircloth and Billy Phagan. Joey is incredibly proud of the years he coached the players as many of those young boys, one of whom is his son Steven, are now successful men, and he is thankful to have been a part of their lives. Joey also gave his time to coach alongside Tim Rutherford and Bruce Jackson, coaching girls' softball. The bonus part of coaching was that his daughters Lindsey and Katie were members of the teams that Joey coached. Guiding, teaching, and coaching the young girl players has been another highlight for Joey as these young ladies are now successful women.

When reflecting on his years of banking, Joey is thankful for the opportunity to have served his customers in the Pineview area and beyond. Providing service and guidance to his customers has been his focus, and he has been very successful in his banking endeavors. From his years of customer service, he has assisted customers in purchasing their homes, funding crop loans, purchasing farms, acquiring farm equipment, and all other customer needs in the lending area. He considers all his customers his family, and he has always strived to provide the best rates for his customers and give advice to them when solicited.

