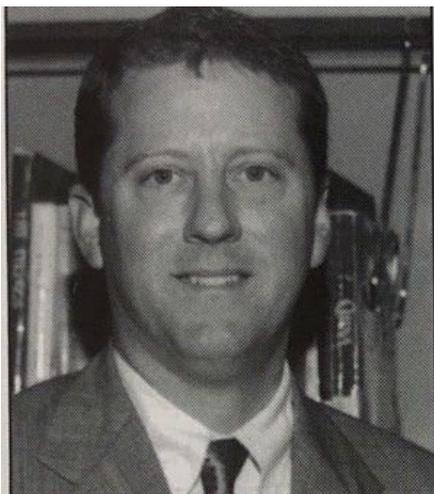


Outstanding Alumni: Mr. John Eric Hamilton, III '81



John Eric Hamilton III In August of last year, our Outstanding Alumnus for 2002, John Eric Hamilton III, was promoted to president and CEO of the south central region of Colonial Bank. Previously president of the Montgomery region, he is now responsible for 61 banks and branches from Anniston to Destin, FL. He earned a BS in finance at Auburn University (while on a golf scholarship) in 1986 and graduated from the ABA National Commercial Lending School. He has served in senior capacities in the east central region, Anniston, Birmingham, and Montgomery. In 2001 he received the Outstanding Young Bankers Award. He serves on the boards of the Montgomery Metro YMCA, Jubilee CityFest, the Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce, the Montgomery Area Council on Aging, the Alabama Golf Association, and is Vice President of Partners in Education for Montgomery. He was asked to serve on both the Envision 2020 Economic Task Force Committee and the Montgomery Development Corporation.

Eric has won many invitational and club golf titles (including the Sunny King Charity Classic in Anniston) and the Alabama State Amateur Championship in 1994 and the Alabama Mid-Amateur Championship in 1994 and again in 1997. He is a member of Memorial Presbyterian Church, the Montgomery Rotary Club, and the Capital City Club. He and his wife, Mariana, have two children, Sarah, 5, and Jack, 1. Proud mother is Rosemary Hollingsworth of Anniston.



Eric Hamilton, Wilma Jones (mother), Joy Jones (wife), and Keith (brother) pose with Mrs. Jones at Golf in the Sun on a day recipient.