

## **Debra Knight**

Debra has been a full-time resident of Stillwaters since 2017, residing with her husband, Mike. Debra is newly retired from her career in commercial real estate, property and asset management. This has given her a wonderful opportunity to spend time with their three grandchildren.

Debra was a 1980 graduate of Jacksonville State University with a double major in Pre-Law and Social Psychology along with a certification in Gerontology. Her career began in Atlanta, GA as a Commercial Property Manager for Connolly Realty Services, where she spent 18 years and was promoted to Vice President of Operations. She has extensive experience in real estate acquisition, development, construction, tenant management, operations management, marketing, budgeting, and contract analysis. Her portfolio averaged over 1,000,000 square feet of property.

Most recent experience was with McKinley Companies based in Ann Arbor, MI. Debra held the position of Assistant Director of the Southern United States region. She served on the Senior Leadership Team and oversaw the portfolio operations over 5,000,000 square feet and twelve property managers. Property types were Institutional Third-Party Management, Owner direct Management and court appointed Receiverships. These were comprised of anchored shopping centers, office buildings and office parks, outdoor lifestyle centers and enclosed malls.

Being service oriented, Debra has served on the following:

Building Owners and Managers Association, TOBY Committee Judge multiple years

International Council of Shopping Centers, Management I, II designations

Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District, Board Member, Duluth, GA

First Baptist Church Dadeville, Building & Grounds Committee, Celebration Choir member