WILLIAM M. BANISTER PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

William M. Banister, of Young Harris, Georgia, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 71st annual convention, held in Denver, Colorado, USA, June 29-July 2, 1988.

A funeral director, Past Director Banister is secretary and treasurer of Banister Funeral Homes, Inc.

A member of the Towns County Lions Club since 1970, Past Director Banister has held many positions in the association including club president, zone chairman, council chairman and district governor. He was also a district eye bank chairman, a director of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse and on the board of trustees for the Georgia Lions Eye Bank.

For his many contributions to the association, Past Director Banister has received the Key Award, the l00% District Governor Award, the International President's Commendation Award, the District Governor's Extension Award, the International President's Certificate of Appreciation Award, three International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor given by the association to its members. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Past Director Banister and his wife, Fran, have a daughter, Laura Ann, and a son, Will.