

## **Kathy Horne - Alabama**

Kathy Horne has served as Executive Director for the Alabama Rural Water Association (ARWA) for nine years. Previous to this time she held other management positions with the ARWA to accumulate 25 years of service. As Executive Director, Kathy directs six federal programs through USDA Rural Development and U. S. Environmental Protection Agency as well as numerous State funded programs. These programs offer various services in technical assistance, management, finance and training to the water and wastewater utilities throughout the State of Alabama. In addition, Kathy supervises 13 full-time employees.

Kathy is a member of the American Water Works Association, the Alabama Water Pollution Control Association, the Society of Water Professionals and the National Rural Water Association. She serves on the Alabama Operator Training Advisory Committee, the Alabama Water Resource Drought Planning Committee, the SE-TAC Advisory Board as well as the National Rural Water Association Emergency Response Committee. In addition, Kathy is President of Water Management Services, Inc. She was elected by her peers to receive the 2001 Executive Director of the Year Award for the National Rural Water Association and in 2004 received the USDA Rural Development Leadership Award. Kathy is the mother of four children and active in local school, church and community activities.