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Deceased Austin auto magnate honored with lifetime award

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The late Charles Nash, former chairman of [Capitol Chevrolet](#) and a fixture in Austin's automotive industry for five decades, will be posthumously honored Monday with a lifetime achievement award from the Texas Automobile Dealers Association. He died in 2011 at age 87.

Nash is just the 16th individual in the history of the statewide industry group to receive the award, which is bestowed for "for service to the association, the industry, their employees and their community."



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At the Dealers Association's 100th anniversary conference at the JW Marriott Austin hotel, Nash's children, [Nancy Nash Harper](#), CEO of Capitol Chevrolet, and [Charles Durham](#) "Chuck" Nash Jr., president of Chuck Nash Chevrolet in San Marcos, were to accept the honor Monday on behalf of their father.

Charles Nash was also a past director of Austin National Bank and a chairman of the board at the Headliners Club. He and his family also gave extensively to charities.

“Our father was a generous man who led by example,” [Nancy Nash Harper](#) said in a statement. “He taught us to build our community as we build our dealerships. Our family is so proud and humbled by this prestigious award and we thank the TADA leadership.”

The Texas Automobile Dealers Association represents approximately 1,300 new car and truck dealerships in the state.

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