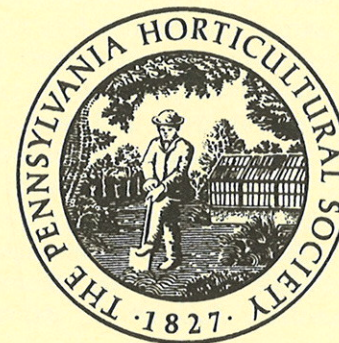


**Awards Presentation**  
**of the**  
**Pennsylvania Horticultural Society**



**Wednesday, November 16, 1983**



## Distinguished Achievement Medal

William Flemer, III

William Flemer — there's hardly a horticulturist, a gardener or a plant breeder in the United States who has not been affected by your work. As president of Princeton Nurseries, you have promoted all that is superior in horticulture and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is delighted to honor you with its highest award, the Distinguished Achievement Medal.

Following your early horticultural training in your family's business, you graduated from Yale with a Master's degree in Botany in 1947. Your particular interest has always been in plant breeding and the genetics of shade trees, an interest that has led you to introduce many excellent plants to the American nursery trade. Through your contacts with botanical gardens and arboretums across the nation and around the world, you have spread your introductions widely, sharing these developments with the horticultural community.

Throughout your career you have devoted much time, energy and enthusiasm to professional organizations, serving currently as president of the American Association of Nurserymen, the Eastern Nurserymen's Association, the New Jersey Nurserymen's Association and the International Plant Propagators Society. In addition, you have been a member of the Arnold Arboretum Visiting Committee, Harvard University and chairman of the U.S. National Arboretum Advisory Board.

As a lecturer you are much sought after, and your books *Shade and Ornamental Trees in Color* and *Nature's Guide to Successful Gardening and Landscaping* are two very popular volumes in the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's library. We are grateful that you have chosen to share your knowledge through these books and through articles in many horticultural publications.

It is with pleasure and many congratulations that the Society awards you its Distinguished Achievement Medal.



# Certificate of Merit

Emily du Pont

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society wishes to award you its Certificate of Merit for your many accomplishments in horticulture and conservation. Over the years, your very special ability to bring people together has resulted in the formation of many organizations.

The Red Clay Valley Association, devoted to land conservation, is one example where you served as vice president and secretary.

You and your husband, with Mr. and Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland gave the land for the Ashland Nature Center where you were responsible for the creation of many of the educational programs. Fountain Plaza and H.B. du Pont Park, two important landscaped areas in Wilmington, were planned and executed with your generous help and guidance.

Recently, you played a leading role in the formation of the Wilmington Garden Center, using your organizational abilities to attract and involve many garden club members and local leaders in the creation of a viable and useful organization. Located on the Mall in downtown Wilmington, the Center provides horticultural information through lectures and workshops. With your support the Garden Center has initiated horticultural outreach programs and has begun to work with civic leaders and neighborhood groups on the Greening of Wilmington. Finally, in your own Garden Club of Wilmington, you were chairperson of the Community Projects Committee and later its president.

It is with great pleasure that The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society awards you the Certificate of Merit.



# Certificate of Merit

Sarah C. Zantzing Groome

Flower arranger extraordinaire, tireless teacher, workshop leader and blue ribbon exhibitor — it is our pleasure to present you with the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Certificate of Merit.

As an artist you have thrilled thousands of Philadelphia Flower Show visitors with your arrangements. As a teacher, you have inspired countless novice and advanced exhibitors with your workshops. For 14 years, exhibitors have sought advice from you on Wednesday mornings throughout January and February. Your criticisms are always gentle but firm, always positive and encouraging, and you have done much to raise the level of taste, design and creativity in the flower arranging sections of the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Your own outstanding arrangements have received Show recognition with many trophies, including the Helen Hope Dechert Award on two occasions, the Margaret Biddle Bright Award, and on three occasions you have won the Philadelphia Flower Show Arrangement Sweepstakes.

You have been a Garden Club of America judge for 30 years, and a much sought after lecturer on flower arranging. In 1974 the Garden Club of America awarded you its coveted Award of Merit. You are a past president of the Four Counties Garden Club and have held almost every chairmanship in your club.

Your students are proud of you, your garden club is proud of you and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is so proud of you we wish to honor you with our Certificate of Merit.

