

Lester P. Nichols: The many years of effort you have devoted to the study of disease resistance in ornamental crabapples will have far-reaching consequences for the landscapes of tomorrow. By characterizing the bewildering array of cultivars as to their ability to remain attractive and trouble-free, you have established standards for consumers and professionals alike. Plant breeders, horticulturists and educators are already using your ratings to determine future generations of landscape plants.

Many who benefit from your work however, may not know the source of their pleasure or why their flowering trees are beautiful throughout the summer without tedious and costly spraying. You have been quietly working with Swarthmore, the National Arboretum, Longwood and other gardens. This work has been persistent and consistent. Too often the solid work of careful researchers goes unnoticed.

Today the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society acknowledges the debt which future generations of gardeners will owe you, and we take pleasure in presenting you its Certificate of Merit for 1981.

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Your generous gifts of time and knowledge, which you share with amateurs and professionals alike have been an inspiration to many.

Your dedication to correct nomenclature and the proper identification of plants has raised standards for the many horticultural groups with whom you have been associated.

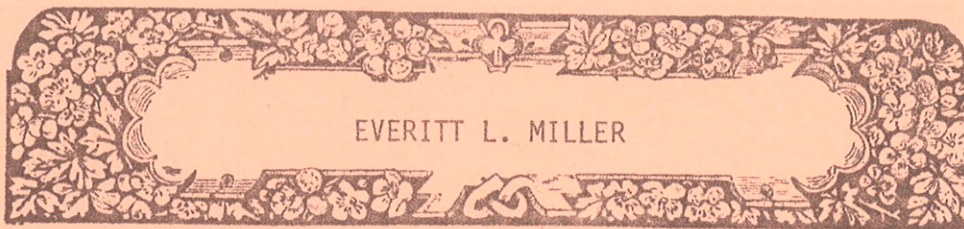
Herbs have been your speciality. To the herb lover the garden you created with Walter at "West Mowing" is unique in its extensive collection of plants from many parts of the world. From your garden have come thousands of herbs which you have shared with others, through benefit sales, flower shows, educational exhibits and many civic endeavors. You have also written and lectured extensively on herbs and are an excellent photographer. The Herb Society of America has honored you for these many achievements.

Outstanding among your many accomplishments are the details in the development, planning and planting of the new herb garden at the National Arboretum in Washington, D.C.

For these commendable contributions the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is proud and happy to present to Nancy Putnam Howard its Certificate of Merit for 1981.



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We salute you, Everitt L. Miller, for your enthusiasm for horticulture and for your extensive horticultural accomplishments.

As assistant director and head of the horticulture department at Longwood Gardens you designed and coordinated world famous, breathtaking displays both in the conservatories and outdoors. These displays were consistent in quality and beauty, emphasizing your talents as horticulturist and designer.

Your dedication and promotional ability came to the fore as you encouraged visitors from all over the world and from all walks of life to visit Longwood Gardens. Pierre S. duPont's wish was that the gardens and displays would be enjoyed by many. You have helped to fulfill his wish. Each year some 650,000 visitors from Asia to Africa, and from Maine to Minnesota pass enjoyable hours at Longwood Gardens.

In 1979 the Trustees of Longwood Gardens appointed you director to oversee the gardens with its four acres of conservatories and greenhouses, an historic arboretum, an outdoor theatre, fountain gardens and special plant collections covering the entire range of ornamental horticulture.

Planting Fields, where you served as manager for ten years before joining the staff at Longwood, now enjoys the benefits of your wisdom as a member of its Board of Trustees.

As lecturer, instructor, and author you have inspired many in the art and science of gardening. You are an accredited flower show instructor and judge, and deserve our special thanks for having judged at many Philadelphia Flower Shows.

Congratulations to you Everitt, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is proud to present you with its highest honor, the Distinguished Achievement Medal.

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