ADS Silver Medal 2013

Jeanie Driver



Nicole Vinisky photograph

The ADS Silver Medal is awarded for meritorious service to the American Daffodil Society. The recipient of this award has been a true ambassador for daffodils and the ADS. She has shared her enthusiasm and knowledge about daffodils on the local, regional, and national level.

She was an early advocate for intermediate daffodils. Her love of daffodils, hard work, and dedication were instrumental in the creation of the ADS designation for Intermediate Daffodils. With her husband, the much-missed Frank Driver, Jeanie formed Bonnie Brae Gardens to provide high-quality, little-known offerings to daffodil enthusiasts worldwide. Bonnie Brae Gardens was the first marketer in the world of the then-unknown category of Intermediate Daffodils.

She has served as a ADS Regional Director, Regional Vice President, as the first ADS Intermediates Chairman, and as an Accredited Judge. She invented the pre- and post-convention tours. Her amazing garden has been featured on two tours at ADS National Conventions. It is with great pleasure that I award the ADS Silver Medal to Jeanie Driver.

Since Jeanie could not be here today, Steve Vinisky arranged a dinner in her honor last Saturday night to present the award to her, proving that daffodil people can keep a secret!