

TO: All GFVGA Grower Members

RE: **Donnie H. Morris Award of Excellence in Extension**

Have you ever thought your County Agent or a State Specialist deserved a special thank you for doing a GREAT job but you didn't have any way to provide that recognition? YOU DO NOW – Nominate them for the GFVGA Excellence in Extension Award!!

In 1998 the Georgia Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association established an award program to recognize and express appreciation to UGA Cooperative Extension Service personnel who are important to our operations. In 2006, this award was renamed to honor a man who lead the fruit and vegetable industry and credited Extension for his success. Please take a moment to the complete the nomination form enclosed and submit the name of a person you feel is deserving of this award.

Previous winners:

1998 – Frank Flanders, Grady Co
1999 – Tim Lawson, Sumter Co
2000 – Larry Corbett, Echols Co
2001 – Glen Beard, Colquitt Co
2002 – Ken Lewis, Crisp Co

2003 – Stanley Culpepper, Tift Co
2004 – James Clark, Appling Co
2005 – Keith Rucker, Tift Co
2006 – David Langston, UGA
2007 – Reid Torrance, Tattnall Co.

2008 – Paul Sumner
2009 – Brian Tankersley
2010 – Alton “Stormy” Sparks

The individual selected as the 2011 Donnie H. Morris Award of Excellence in Extension recipient will receive \$500 cash and will be recognized at the 2012 SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference in January.

Nominations **must** be made by a GFVGA ‘grower’ member. Please take a moment and submit your nomination for this special award. The deadline for nominations is Monday, October 4, 2011.

**Nominations may be faxed to 706.883.8215
Emailed to rsmith@asginfo.net or
Mailed to GFVGA
PO Box 2945
LaGrange, Georgia 30241**

