

Anita Smith Outstanding Service Award

The "Anita Smith Outstanding Service Award" is given annually at the Mid-Winter Meeting for exemplary service to the District.

Anita, an original attendee at the first Mid-Winter Meeting in Bainbridge at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Reynolds, gave us her recollections of that first meeting at the occasion of the 25th annual Mid-Winter meeting in Tallahassee. Affectionately known as "Miss Nita", she attended most of the meetings until her death in 2009, only a few short weeks after she served as Chairman of Judges for the Greater Atlanta Rose Show.

She served as an organizer, supporter, and conscience for the Deep South District. Having served as District Chairman of Judges for twelve years, she was a leader in the true sense of the word. She is greatly missed by her rose friends.

*Where names are marked with an asterisk, the recipient is deceased.

The Award Winners are:

2010	Ralph & Jean Stream	Micanopy, FL
2011	Phil & Anne Paul*	Sarasota, FL
2012	Montine Herring	Whigham, FL
2013	Katherine Mostellar	Atlanta, GA
2014	Bobbie Reed	Lawrenceville, GA
2015	Earnest "Ed" Easom	Lutz, FL
2016	Jim & Kay Harrell	St. Simons Island, GA
2017	Mary Maude Sharpe	Tallahassee, FL
2018	Not yet awarded	