



## Cornerstone Award Nomination

The dictionary defines a cornerstone as *a fundamental building block on which the foundation of something rests*. We know there are numerous individuals who fit this description. Individuals who have given their time and dedicated their lives to make Wayne County a better place to live, work, and raise a family. This lifelong achievement award is presented annually to an individual, living or deceased: that has committed their all in service for the betterment of Goldsboro and Wayne County.

The award recipient may be either a man or woman. If a man and woman have performed outstanding services together during the course of the year, each may be awarded a plaque.

The recipient of the Cornerstone Award must be over the age of 40. Once a person has been awarded the Cornerstone Award, he or she will not be eligible again for this award.

The person chosen for the Cornerstone Award will have rendered outstanding service for Wayne County. The limitations of this service are not defined because meaningful service to the community is often long range. However, special emphasis should be given to service performed during the current year.

The recipient's accomplishments may or may not be connected with the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce programs, nor does the recipient have to be a member of the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce. If the recipient is deceased, the award would be presented to his/her family representative.

Past recipients who have *demonstrated extraordinary effort and dedicated commitment to the principles of growth and expansion through dynamic leadership and whose attitude and example sets the standard for our community* are:

Richard B. Moffatt, Hal Tanner, Sr., Clarence "Icky" Peacock, William Dees, Jr., Hal Plonk, Bertha Shepherd Wooten, Ollie Toomey, Troy Pate, Jr., Jimmie Edmundson, William P. Kemp, Jr., Dr. Edward Wilson, Jr., David Weil, William Bryan, Wes Seegars, Bill Winslow, Ed Borden, Dr. David Tayloe, Keith R. Gunnet, Emily N. Weil, George Russell Kornegay, Jr., Alfonzo King, Irvin Ray McDonald Sr., Philip A. Baddour, Jr. and James E. Williams.

The Cornerstone Award will be presented at the 2021 Wayne County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet. The award recipient's name will also be placed on a plaque and inserted into the wall at The Hub formerly known as Cornerstone Commons in downtown Goldsboro.

I would like to nominate: (If you are nominating a couple, please list both names and complete the application for each.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator contact information: If your nominee is selected, nominator will be contacted to supply pictures, news articles, scrapbooks, etc., and to help write the presentation for the award.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Criteria**

This life-long achievement award is presented annually to an individual, living or deceased, who has been fully committed in service for the betterment of Wayne County. The criteria are as follows:

- Long-term continuous service and dedication to the citizens of Wayne County.
- The recipient has made a significant impact on the overall betterment of the area.
- Considered part of the foundation of the area.
- The recipient's accomplishments may be in business, education, government, et cetera.
- The award recipient(s) may be an individual or a couple. If a couple has performed outstanding services together, each may be awarded a plaque.
- The recipient of the Cornerstone Award must be over the age of 40.
- The recipient's accomplishments may or may not be connected with Chamber of Commerce programs, nor does the recipient have to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce.
- If the recipient is deceased, the award would be presented to his/her family representative.
- Once a person has received the Cornerstone Award, the recipient is not eligible for a subsequent Cornerstone Award.

**The below outline MUST be utilized for the nominee to be considered; the form is provided.**

Give specific examples and explanation of the nominee's outstanding service and accomplishments for Wayne County and other noted areas. Services performed and accomplishments realized during the current year should be included.

1. **Business Accomplishments:** Please list special recognitions, projects, and achievements; include business-related affiliations, directorships, trusteeships and other professional designations.
2. **Other memberships, achievements, awards and publications:** Nominee may already have been honored for service to his/her profession, industry or community; please include. He/she also may have publications to his/her credit or published professional articles supporting service to the profession, industry or community. Please list awards and honors received that support this nomination and explain why the honors were received.
3. **Community Services:** Describe local, county, state, and national level participation, length-of-service and offices held in civic and service organizations, political pursuits, charitable groups, religious groups, chambers of commerce, merchant association activities, et cetera. Volunteer service should primarily not be tied to the nominee's employment, rather focused on the overall betterment of the community.
4. **Other factors:** Describe briefly any additional factors you feel are important for consideration of your nominee for the Cornerstone Award. Summarize why you believe that your nominee is qualified for this award; Include presence in the community, participation in the community and willingness to jump in and help with any task.

Return completed nomination forms by **Friday, October 8, 2021**. Applications can be e-mailed to [laral@waynecountychamber.com](mailto:laral@waynecountychamber.com), mailed to Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, Attention: Lara Landers, PO Box 1107, Goldsboro, NC 27533 or dropped off at the Chamber located at 308 N. William Street.

For more information about the Cornerstone Award or the Annual Banquet, call Lara Landers at the Chamber at (919) 734-2241.

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