



**LOGGER MERIT AWARD/OUTSTANDING LOGGER AWARD RECIPIENTS
1988 – 2025**

1988 (21)

E. W. Burrow, Prince George
Holland Brothers, Louisa
James McDaniel, Charlottesville
John Hines, Rice
Dave Norton, Bedford
Larry Jarvis, Atkins
Laws Brothers, Pennington Gap
Donald Jones, Accomac
David Bowling, Arrington
Jim Mooney, Palmyra
Junior Morris, Free Union
A. G. Perry, Richmond
Wendal McNew, Dungannon
Franklin Pike, Amelia
Jim Abrams, Aylett
Benny Reid, Lexington
George Asbury, Bishop
John Root, Fishersville
H. L. Emerson, Amelia
Richard South, Gloucester
W. B. Gilman, Ashland

1989 (8)

Troy Hagy, Tazewell
Luther Compton & Sons, Bluefield
Harvey, Joyce, Collinsville
Jerry Cox, Swope
Roger Bolling, Pound
Clyde & Arnold Correll, Floyd
Ricky & Doug Deacon, Fairfield
Jim Mooney, Palmyra

1990 (17)

Tillman Logging, Powhatan
Pinecrest Timber Co., Waverly
Steve "Sonny" Ashley, Shanghai
Roger Dunevent, Dillwyn
B. L. Bryant, Gladstone
Aubrey Clary, Gasburg
Norman Deacon, Lexington
R. D. Knighton, Montpelier

James Reece, Dugspur
Ranza Horton, Austinville
Wayne Sanders, Fort Blackmore
M. M Wright, Gasburg
Manley Fogg, Newton
Raymond Johnson, Providence Forge
Danny Hensley, Jonesville
E. W. Burrow, Prince George
Elmer Hatcher, Big Island

1991 (10)

Linwood Johnson, Providence Forge
Billy Wood, Charlottesville
Binford-Cotemen Logging, Providence Forge
C. W. Moore & Sons, Courtland
Gene Ragland, Scottsville
W. B. Gilman, Ashland
Lewis Bros. Logging, McKenney
Two Brothers Logging, Lexington
Campbell Bros., Natural Bridge
Devin Logging, Wylliesburg

1992 (6)

Mid-Atlantic Logging, West Point
Davis, Buckingham
S. R. Jones & Sons, Gasburg
Walter Pillow, Gladys
Ronald Wright, Ebony
R. G. Finch, Alberta

1993 (9)

Kenneth Hodges, South Boston
Harvey Logging, Lovingston
R. E. Carroll, Ebony
Scott Shull, Concord
William Davis, Glade Hill
Wilkerson Wood, Inc., Keysville
C. W. Brown Logging, St. Stephens Church
Eugene "Buck" Hall Logging, Meherrin
Binky Tapscott, Tapscott Brothers Logging, Scottsville



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W. R. Bess Logging, Paint Bank
C&N Logging, Inc., Natural Bridge
Carr Enterprises, Inc., Grundy
Dawson Logging, Inc., Rustburg
Deeds Brothers Logging, Inc., Millboro
Piedmont Farms, Inc., Church View
W. R. Bess Logging, Paint Bank

1995 (7)

James Clarke, J. L. Clarke Logging, Inc., Gasburg
W. C. Johnson, W. C. Johnson Logging Inc., Pittsville
Brady Jones, Jr., Brady Jones Logging, Buckingham
Elwood Mays, K. E. Mays & Sons, Amherst
Jim Mooney, Piedmont Thinning & Harvesting, Inc.,
Palmyra
Clifton Morgan, Four Oaks Timber Co., Inc., Clarksville
Tommy Smith and Albert Wheeler, Smith & Wheeler
Logging Inc., Spotsylvania

1996 (3)

Elmer E. Hatcher, Hatcher's Logging Corp. of Virginia,
Big Island
John Hobbs, Hobbs Logging, Whitewood
Thomas Rhodes, Rhodes Logging, Inc., Lynch Station

1997 (9)

Leonard Branscome, L&F Logging, Dugspur
Kenneth R. Connell, Connell Logging and Thinning,
Broadnax
Denny Cornett, Forest Products Inc., Big Stone Gap
Freemo Goad, L&F Logging, Dugspur
W. D. Hackett, W. D. Hackett Logging, Dillwyn
T. M. Leatherwood, T. M. Leatherwood, Inc., Claremont
W. E. Ragland, W. E. Ragland & Sons, Inc., Scottsville
Howard J. Smith, Judd Smith Logging, Inc., Covington
Willie Trusty, Jr., Willie Trusty Logging, Inc., Freeman

1998 (7)

Lloyd E. Bennett, Lloyd E. Bennett, Inc., Triplet
Mark, Butch and William Martin, Gillespie, Inc., Bedford
David Morse, David Morse Logging, Warsaw

Edwin and Donald Reaves, Reaves Timber Corp.,
Coleman Falls
Jerry D. Rose, Jerry D. Rose, Inc., Courtland
Howard J. Shelton, Howard J. Shelton Logging, Chatham
Charles, Troy and Harvey Tapscott, Tapscott Brothers
Logging, Scottsville

1999 (9)

Clarence D. Campbell, C. D. Campbell Logging, Natural
Bridge Station
Joyce and Kerry Clary, Aubrey L. Clary, Inc., Gasburg
Ben Davis, Davis Logging of Virginia, Inc., Courtland
Cary Deffenbaugh, C&I Thinning, Inc., Milford
Wendell Evans and J. H. Fitzgerald, Jr., Do-Little Logging,
Roseland
Bob, Sylvio & Leo Fauteux, Mid-Atlantic Tree
Harvestors, Aylett
James Edward Shelton, Shelton Logging, Crewe
Ronnie Simmons, Ronnie Simmons Logging, Millboro
Randy and Wendy Wright, W & W Custom Thinners,
Inc., Emporia

2000 (3)

Jack Campbell, C&N Logging, Inc., Natural Bridge Station
Willie Coleman, Coleman Logging, Concord
Tracy Dale Martin, Martin Logging, Millboro

2001 (5)

Frank and Tommy Barnes, Barnes Manufacturing Co.,
Kenbridge
Ricky and Doug Deacon, Deacon Brothers Logging,
Fairfield
Joe K. Smith, Sometime Logging, Inc., Cedar Bluff
Lealon Vassar and Dale Reed, R&V Mill, Keysville
Louis and Ronnie Watson, WLC, Inc., Lignum

2002 (2)

William and Wallace Byer, Byer Brothers, Inc.,
Covington
J. A. and Tune Devin, Devin Logging, Inc., Wylliesburg



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2003 (1)

Scott Shull and Ronnie Vassar, Shull Timber Corp.,
Concord

2004 (1)

Roger Dunevant, Dunevant Tree Thinning, Dillwyn

2005 (9)

Abe and sons Tim, David, Pete and John Lee, and wife
Faye, Austin and Sons Logging, Amelia
Charlie Sr., Charlie, Jr. and wife Linda, C& L Logging,
Appomattox

Darrell and Sons Chad, Dane and Brandon, Darrell
Campbell and Sons Logging, Roseland
William and nephew Doug, William H. Conner Logging,
Courtland

C.W. and sons Ronnie, Sammy, Timmy and grandson
Joey, C.W. Moore and Sons Logging, Churchville
Bobby and son Bo, B. L. Nichols Logging, Huddleston
Gene and son Chris and wife Joan, W. E. Ragland
Logging, Scottsville

Sammy Dawson, Three Forks Logging, Rustburg
William L. Davis, Jr., WLD Logging, Inc., Glade Hill

2006 (4)

Johnnie H. Dowell, J. H. Dowell & Son Logging, Rixeyville
J. H. Fitzgerald, Jr., J. H. Fitzgerald, Jr. Logging, Tyro
David G. "Buck" Morris, Glen Morris & Sons Logging,
Inc. Unionville

Darrell Rasnick, Russell Fork Logging, Bee

2007 (3)

Jerry Defibaugh, Defibaugh Logging, Free Union
David Knighton, J.H. Knighton Lumber Co., Inc., Ruther
Glen

Joe Shank, Morven Logging, Amelia Courthouse

2008 (2)

High Country Logging, Hot Springs
J2 Enterprises, Inc, Moneta

2009 (2)

Scott Hillman Timber Products – Outstanding Logger of
the Year

Bruce Slagle, Slagle Logging & Chipping

2010—no winners

2011 (2)

Tim Bowling, Bowling Logging & Chipping, Ridgeway
Steve Ferguson Jr., Ferguson Logging, Ltd., Hardy

2012

Larry Roach, Pro Logging (Outstanding Logger of the
Year)

2013

Johnnie H. Dowell, J. H. Dowell & Son Logging, Rixeyville

2014

Robert Shank, Shank Logging LLC

2015

W.E. (Gene) Ragland

2016

Pinecrest Timber Company

2017

C&I Thinning

2018 (2)

Adam W. Moore Logging, LLC

J.V. Ramsey Logging, LLC

2019 (2)

Glen Morris & Sons Logging, Inc.
Timber Harvest LLC

2020 (2)

BL Nichols Logging, Inc.
Morven Logging



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2021 (2)

Tracy D. Martin Sr., Martin Logging
Shannon Wisecarver, S.W.C.L. Inc.

2022 (3)

Andy Byler, Blue Mountain Forest Products
Joe Ross, J&J Logging
Nathan Harker, Pittsylvania Forest Products

2023 (3)

Calhoun Timber (Brian Calhoun)
Jerry D Rose, Inc. (Jerry Rose)
Shull Timber (Scott and WT Shull)

2024 (2)

Appalachian Growth Logging, LLC (Alan Gleske)
W. E. Ragland Logging Co (W.E.Ragland)

2025 (2)

Moyers Logging (Ronnie Moyers)
H. J. Shelton Logging