

For More Information on the Glenn Dales

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Joe Schild has been an avid grower, propagator and breeder of azaleas for

nearly 37 years. He has owned and operated a niche nursery specializing in the species for over 12 years. Joe is the past president of the Tennessee Valley Chapter-ARS, the current president of the ASA for 2001-2003, and a member of the Tennessee Nursery and Landscape Association. He says he is better known as an azalea nut and chases the natives' bloom each year with many fellow enthusiasts.

F. P. Lee Commendation Award for 2003

February 3, 2003, Mary Rutley, Brookside Gardens Chapter vice president, presented the F. P. Lee Award to Bob Stewart of Springfield, Virginia. This award recognizes Bob's long service to the Society. The award in part, read:

THE FREDERIC P. LEE COMMENDATION FOR
DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTION TO FURTHERING THE
KNOWLEDGE OF AND APPRECIATION OF AZALEAS IS
AWARDED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BROOKSIDE
GARDENS CHAPTER OF THE AZALEA SOCIETY OF
AMERICA TO

ROBERT B. STEWART

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR OUTSTANDING PARTICIPATION
IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BROOKSIDE GARDENS
CHAPTER IN ADVANCING THE PROPAGATION, CARE, AND
GENERAL APPRECIATION OF AZALEAS.

PRESENTED WITH DEEP GRATITUDE DURING THE
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BROOKSIDE
GARDENS CHAPTER, IN THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY,
THE STATE OF MARYLAND, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
ON THE SECOND DAY OF DECEMBER, IN THE YEAR TWO
THOUSAND TWO.

FREDERIC P. LEE COMMITTEE

an associate membership with the Brookside Chapter. Bob, a carpenter by trade, can root a toothpick, has developed an excellent technique for the propagation of evergreen azaleas by cuttings, and has been a generous participant in all of the major chapter sponsored activities in the region. His thorough study of the major hybrid groups has put him in demand for his services as a flower show judge. Finally, in recent years, he has introduced several new cultivars, the product of his large-scale hybridizing program.

Note, you can learn more about Bob Stewart's activities in an article by Bill McDavit (1996): "An Azaleaphile Salute—Bob Stewart," *The Azalean*, 18 (1): 10. (Photo by William C. Miller III.)



Bob Stewart has been an ASA member for many years. He was originally a member of the Brookside Gardens Chapter, but switched to the Northern Virginia Chapter when it was organized. Over the years, he has maintained