



THE REGISTERED FORESTER

Winter 2017

REMEMBERING WALTER E. CARTWRIGHT



Walter Earl Cartwright was born September 20, 1952 to Draford and Nettie Cartwright. Walter was one of 13 children. He dearly loved his family and represented them with honor.

He received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Auburn University in 1974 and he served 13 plus years with the Alabama

Forestry Commission as Director of the Forest Management Division (September 2014 to present), Director of the Administrative Division, Assistant Director of the Forest Operations Division, Forest Management Division Director, and Assistant Forest Management Division Director. Work with the Commission includes managing all programs administered by the Forest Management Division, including Forest Stewardship, Forest Legacy, Forest Inventory and Analysis, Landowner Assistance (Cost Share), Geographic Information Systems, State Lands Management, and Best Management Practices for Forestry. Recent grants include the Longleaf Pine Corridor Restoration Grant involving Longleaf Academies, Silvopasture Research and Longleaf Seed Orchard rehabilitation; Coastal Preharvest Planning Guide, Best Management Practices Monitoring; and Longleaf Restoration on State Lands through a grant from The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Longleaf Legacy Program. Walter also represents the State of Alabama on the Southern Group of State Foresters Forest Management Chiefs Committee. Walter has published several articles for the Treasure Forest magazine including "Practice What you Preach", "Alabama's Reforestation of Abandoned Mine Lands", "Market Trends", "Timber Stumpage Values vs. Mill Delivered Prices", "Carbon Sequestration", "Partnerships for Conserving Open Spaces", "Developing New Markets: Carbon Trading, Biomass, Ecosystem Services", "Wood Pellets New Source of Energy in Alabama", and "Foresters Practicing Law Without a License?" and has also published Alabama Forestry Commission "Forest Resource Report" from 2004-2008.

He came to the Alabama Forestry Commission from another State agency where he served as the Division Director (State Programs Administrator), Mining and Reclamation Division, within the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations (now AL Dept. of Labor) from July 2003 to March 2004. In his 15 years with that agency he also served as the State Programs Deputy Administrator, Mining and Reclamation Division; Mine Inspection Supervisor/AML Chief Planner; Walter authored and successfully passed amendments to the Alabama Surface Mining Act of 1969. He also served on four different Governor's Task Forces, Initiatives and the Mobile Bay Aquatic Ecosystem Recovery Plan Coalition. He was also co-author for the USGS Study and Map "Arsenic in Stream Sediments in Alabama". Walter was the chairman of the Reporting and Statistics Committee of the Hurricane Ivan Forest Recovery Task Force in 2004-2005, Hurricane Katrina Forest Recovery Task Force in 2005-2006, and April 2011 Tornado Forest Recovery Task Force. Walter also served as Secretary, Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Montgomery Chapter of the Society of American Foresters (SAF), Chairman of the Alabama Division of SAF. He was serving on the SAF Committee for Professional Recognition and is a former member of the Longleaf Chapter of the Society of American Foresters in Alabama.

Walter was an asset to the Alabama Forestry Commission (AFC) in many ways but he had the ability to deal with some topics most people did not like to fool with - mainly grants! Walter had the knack of knowing the verbiage that needed to be used to satisfy the Feds., you cannot understand that pain unless you have had to do this. The AFC will miss Walter, I miss

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Walter and I am sure others do as well. Walter was an outstanding member of the Board of Registration for Foresters, Alabama Society of American Foresters and many other Professional Organizations. He loved being a Registered Forester and took pride in being a professional. He represented us well!

Prior to State Service, Walter also worked with several Forest Industries as: General Manager, Three Rivers, Inc., Columbus, MS; Regional Manager, Timberland Harvesters, Eufaula, AL; with MacMillan Bloedel, Inc., Pine Hill, AL for 10 years (Oct. 1977 to Apr. 1987) in four positions, including Field Auditor, Mensuration and Development; Truckwood Procurement Representative; Area Forester; and Area Resource Forester. His first Forest Industry employment was as Woodlands Supervisor of Dunbar & Dixon (D&D) Lumber Co., Inc., Brantley, Alabama. Walter had the ability as a supervisor to balance that responsibility and be your friend as well. He was always soft spoken but could get the point across very well if your actions needed to be projected differently. He could separate the social atmosphere from the work atmosphere, a good attribute for a supervisor. One of Walter's most impressive attributes was how he doted on his family, brothers, sisters, son, daughter, grands and most of all his wife. He put family above work just as one should. Walter had an extreme love of nature and the outdoors as was shown when the Ponderosa II (Property) was purchased and the work began, Walter was ecstatic. Being a professional resource manager there is nothing like owning and working on your own property.

Walter was a member of many Professional Associations; Member and past Alabama Division Chairman (2012) of the Southeastern Society of American Foresters; The Steering and Planning Committee of the Society of American Foresters local chapter.

Committee Chairman for Governor's Forest Recovery Task Forces – Hurricane Ivan in 2004 and Tornados of 2011 Dept. Rep. on Steering Committee of the National Water Quality Assessment Program Department Representative on the Clean Water Action Plan, The Alabama Agribusiness Council, the Alabama Wildlife Federation and the Alabama Cattlemen's Association, Butler County Chapter, Representative on the Mobile River Aquatic Ecosystem Recovery Plan Coalition.

We could go on and on with many more, but these associations show Walter took his job as a Forester and steward of the land serious to the betterment of our world. Walter's thoughts were to always leave things better than they were found.

Walter and Annette took their love of God very serious and were active members of First United Methodist Church, Greenville, Alabama. Walter's name as a granddad was Whopper! Can't think of a name more fitting for Walter and the legacy he left behind for all his family and friends to remember him by.

Walter was a huge asset to the forestry community as well as many others; he and his contributions will be sorely missed!

God speed Walter, you will be forever remembered, we love you!

Posthumous Award



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3

Photo 1: Joe Roberson, Board Chair, presented Annette Cartwright with posthumous award for her husband, Walter E. Cartwright, for his service and dedication to the Board of Registration for Foresters.

Photo 2: Annette S. Cartwright accepted the posthumous plaque given to her husband, Walter E. Cartwright, for his service and dedication to the Board of Registration for Foresters. The Board presented Mrs. Cartwright with the plaque at their property in Butler County, the Ponderosa II, a most beloved place by Walter and Annette. Back row, left to right, Rick Johnson, member; Joe Roberson, Chair; Olivia Martin, Board's attorney; Lea Anna Meadows, Executive Director; and Annette Cartwright.

Rick Johnson, previous Board chair and current member remarked, *"It was an honor to serve with Walter; he was a fine forester and a fine man."*

Photo 3: The Board with Annette and Walter's Families.

NEW REGISTERED FORESTERS

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Board Fees for 2018

- Application Fee \$60.00
- Reinstatement Application Fee \$150.00
(Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)
- Reciprocity Application Fees (Initial Application)
Same as charged for Alabama Applicants in the reciprocal state.
- Re-Examination Fee \$100.00
- Renewal Fees
 - All Licensees \$100.00 • Late Penalty \$100.00
(Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)
 - License Replacement Fee (Certificate) \$50.00
 - Printed Roster \$10.00
 - Registered Forester Window Decal (Auto) \$1.00
 - Returned Check Fee \$60.00

2017 VIOLATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board strongly believes that educating and seeking voluntary compliance will better serve the public interest. Therefore, before pursuing punitive enforcement, corrective and rehabilitative actions will be taken. A summary of investigations is presented below.

Case #17-001

This was a complaint filed against a Non-Registered Forester by a landowner. Resolved.

Case #17-002 & 003

These were complaints filed against a non-Registered Forester by a Registered Forester for representing themselves as foresters. Resolved.

IN MEMORIAM

We remember our fellow foresters who passed in 2017.

- Thomas V. Cambre (#524)
- James Kenneth Smith (#0742)
- Walter Earl Cartwright (#0860)
- Eddie Dean Whitaker (#0887)
- Timothy Ronald West (#1215)
- Michael Charles Minchew (#1638)

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Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Due to the recent change in building security,
please call for an appointment.

Foresters Granted Reciprocity in Alabama

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RENEWAL REMINDER

The grace period for 2018 license renewal ends December 31, 2017. If you submitted your renewal but have not received your new ID card, please contact Lea Anna Meadows immediately at 334-240-9301 to make sure the renewal was received and processed. Licenses not renewed by December 31, 2017 will be revoked. The Board is required by law to send revocation notices to all non-renewing licensees, including those who, for whatever reason, intentionally allowed their license to lapse.

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ROSTER CHANGE REMINDER The Thirty-Seventh Roster will be updated for 2018-2020. Please get your current information into the Board as soon as possible.

The Board will only list business addresses in the roster unless the home address is the only address on record, in which case it will be listed as the business address. Although home addresses will not be published in the roster, licensees must continue to provide current home addresses to the Board.

UPDATE YOUR ROSTER INFORMATION Please take a moment to review your current roster information online at <http://asbrf.alabama.gov/rosterofforesters.asp>. To submit changes, fax the form below to 334-240-9387 or submit the online Change of Address form at <http://asbrf.alabama.gov/vs2k5/changeofaddress.aspx>.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Full Name _____

Title _____ License Number _____

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Company _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____