

NPGA AWARD RECIPIENTS

Distinguished Service Award Recipients

NPGA's most prestigious honor is its Distinguished Service Award, which grants the recipient honorary lifetime membership in the Association. It is awarded only to individuals who in the opinion of the Distinguished Service Award Committee (a panel composed of all active past chairmen of NPGA) have made an outstanding contribution, either to NPGA or to the propane industry.

Mark Anton	J. Woodward Martin	Walter H. Johnson
George G. Oberfell	Charles O. Russell	Bill L. Jellison
M. G. Farrar	Paul S. Endacott	J. Charles Sawyer
E.L. Mills	Norman A. Evans	William B. McHenry
H. Emerson Thomas	C. J. McAllister	J. D. Capps
Harry E. Newell	Robert E. Poethig	William W. Clark
Harry Campbell	Ernest Fannin	Milford Therrell
Harrison K. Strickler	W. A. Schuette	Sam McTier
E. Carl Sorby	A. C. Kreutzer	2009 Michael Gorham
A. N. Kerr	William S. Brenckle	2010 Eugene V.N. Bissell
K. R. D. Wolfe	William C. Hill	2013 Charles Revere
Lee A. Brand	Ross K. Albon	2014 Daryl F. McClendon
Howard D. White	O. L. Garretson	2016 David Lugar
Walter A. Naumer	Wilbur L. Walls	2017 Raymond Murray, III
W.D. Cook	Fred H. Ramseur, Jr.	2018 Daniel N. Myers
Rosswell W. Thomas	Don Schultz	

State Director of the Year Award Recipients

This award recognizes the NPGA state director deemed outstanding in three principal areas: communicating with members in the state; working with NPGA committees; and attending both national and state meetings. The winner is selected by a panel consisting of the current NPGA chairman, the immediate past chairman, and the NPGA district directors.

	H. Emerson Thomas - NJ	2002	David Bixler - MO	2009	Gary France - WI
1982	George Ed White - AR	2003	Malcolm Barrett - AZ	2016	Joseph Buschur - OH
1983	Harry Lyons - GA	2004	Chris Earhart - VA	2018	Todd Pellett - IA
1984	Robert Y. Love - MS	2005	Frank Platz - CA	2019	Dan Richardson - GA
1985	Gerry Misel - GA	2006	Kevin J. Keller - ID	2020	Amy Jordan Dean - NC
1992	Doug Auxier - OH	2007	Charles Ory - AZ	2021	Judy Taranovich - VT
1994	Charles Revere - VA	2008	Jim Ressler - PA		

Bill Hill Award Recipients

The Bill Hill Award is presented to an NPGA member who has made significant contributions to the propane industry in the area of public affairs at the national, state, or local level. The award honors the memory of the late William C. Hill, who from 1974 to 1979 chaired the National Committee on Propane Allocation and Price Regulations, and includes a grant to an educational institution of the recipient's choice.

1980	J. C. Sawyer	1993	W. B. McHenry	2011	Glenn Miller
1981	D. G. Bunnell	1996	Milford Therrell	2015	Gary France
1984	M. W. Schroeder	2007	Mark Pennington	2015	Joe Cordill
1992	B. W. Byrne	2010	Walter Gresham, III	2018	Wayne Kohley

Safety Award Recipients

NPGA Safety Awards are bestowed upon individuals, companies, or branches of larger firms that have made extraordinary contributions to industry safety, through public or community education, haz-mat efforts or other methods. NPGA's Education, Training & Safety Committee (CETP) Certification Committee selects the award recipient.

	Star Gas Propane, LP, Stamford, CT	2009	Elbert A. Linder
1998	Thermogas Company, Tulsa, OK	2011	Dennis Cruise
1999	Tim Ferns, Rumford Energy Group	2017	Randy Warner
2001	Larry Wilson, University of Missouri Fire Rescue & Training Institute	2018	Ed Ferguson
		2018	Mike Walters
2005	Tim Spicer, Virginia PGA	2020	Charlie Ory
2007	Ric Chatham		