

## REGIONAL OUTSTANDING TREE FARMERS

- 1976** Mid-Atlantic: Harry Ferguson, New Jersey  
South: Fred Barber, Florida (National)
- 1977** Mid-Atlantic: Stewart Decker, New York  
New England: Linwood Lesure, Massachusetts (National)  
North Central: John Powell, Missouri  
South: Hugh Ashley, Arkansas  
West: Ivan & Lane Townsend, Washington
- 1978** Mid-Atlantic: Earl Coons, Maryland  
New England: Merle Schotanus, New Hampshire  
North Central: Ernest Brickner, Wisconsin  
South: Henry Langford, Virginia (National)  
West: Lee Hoover, Oregon
- 1979** Mid-Atlantic: Mr. Eberley - New York  
New England: General Clayton Totman - Maine  
North Central: Mr. Hamm - Ohio  
South: Laurence "Moon" Mullins - Mississippi  
West: Albert & Ella Dieshl, Washington (National)
- 1980** Mid-Atlantic: Mark Wimer, West Virginia  
New England: Richard Alt, New Hampshire  
North Central: Ormond Danford, Michigan (National)  
South: James Francis, Arkansas  
West: Allen & Janet Sheldon, Montana
- 1981** Mid-Atlantic: Robert Cryan, Pennsylvania  
New England: William & Lauren Downey, Vermont  
North Central: Richard & Lianne Casper, Ohio  
South: Milton "Buddy" Hopkins, Georgia (National)  
West: Albert & Eva Crittenden, California
- 1982** Mid-Atlantic: Joseph Hughes, Delaware  
New England: Carl Siemon, New Hampshire  
North Central: Jack Whirry, Wisconsin  
South: Johnnie McLeod, Texas  
West: Bert & Betty Udell, Oregon (National)

**1983** \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-Atlantic: Eugene "Shine" & Phyllis Tuckwiller - West Virginia  
New England: David & Lucy Marvin, Vermont (National)  
North Central: Frank & Avis Newell – Ohio  
South: Bealie & Willie Mae Harrison – Alabama  
West: Don & Mary Naegell - Montana

**1984** \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-Atlantic: Willard & Myrna Ives, New York  
New England: Les Barden, New Hampshire  
North Central: Richard & Ruth Heck, Indiana (National)  
South: Thomas Ross, Arkansas  
West: Wendell Harmon, Oregon

**1985** \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-Atlantic: Mike Demeree, New York (National)  
New England: Martin & Sally Morse, Maine  
North Central: Albert & Marion Deppeler, Wisconsin  
South: Farrar & Jeanette Howard, Virginia  
West: Al & Caroline Farnsworth, Idaho

**1986** \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-Atlantic: Marshall & Cindy Stacy, Maryland  
New England: Harry & Judy Chandler, Vermont (National)  
North Central: John & Rosemary Bazile, Wisconsin  
South: Albert & Mary Emma Lansing, Mississippi  
West: Charles & Elsie Ross, Oregon

**1987** \_\_\_\_\_ Mid-Atlantic: Charles & Patricia Newhall, Maryland  
New England: Wallace & Sylvia Fengler, Maine  
North Central: Warren & Lynn Suchovsky, Michigan  
South: C.M. & Bernice Stripling, Georgia (National)  
West: Howard & Muriel Johnson, Oregon

**1988** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Lee & Joyce Ashby, Illinois  
North East: Demetra "May" Grosseto, Pennsylvania  
South: Peter & Anna Lou McNeill, Kentucky (National)  
West: Bob Mahaffy, Oregon

**1989** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: John & Mary Schmidt, Ohio (National)  
Northeast: Helen Evans, New Hampshire  
South: Murray Lloyd, Louisiana  
West: George & Arlene Nelson, Washington

**1990** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Ronald, Margaret, Richard & Carol Potts, Ohio  
Northeast: Al & Eleanor Maass, Pennsylvania  
South: Terry & Anne Ozier, Mississippi (National)  
West: Robert Mealey, Oregon

- 1991** North Central: Al Meyer, Indiana  
Northeast: John & Harriet Hamilton, New York (National)  
South: Gary & Shirley Fortenberry, Alabama  
West: Eugene & Mary Whitney, California
- 1992** North Central: John & Connie Johnson, Missouri  
Northeast: Frank & Mary Ellen Gilley, Maine (National)  
South: Robert Parkes, Arkansas  
West: Leo Goebel & Bob Jackson, Oregon
- 1993** North Central: Jack & Jane Edson, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Chandler Brothers, Maine  
South: Reed & Evelyn Carroll, Mississippi  
West: Wayne & Colleen Krieger, Oregon (National)
- 1994** North Central: Floyd & Mary Lou Sollien, Iowa  
Northeast: Ken & Dorothy Marvell, New Hampshire  
South: Kirby & Lynda Beam, Georgia (National)  
West: Doug Stinson & Fae Marie Beck, Washington
- 1995** North Central: Don & Dave Solin, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Demetra "May" Grosseto, Pennsylvania  
South: Chester & Rosett Thigpen, Mississippi (National)  
West: Huntington & Leticia Hatch, Idaho
- 1996** North Central: Don & Rachel Jordan, Wisconsin (National)  
Northeast: Carleton & Maetta Jones, Maine  
South: A. G. "Skeet" and Gail Burris, South Carolina  
West: Tom & Mary Bender, Colorado
- 1997** North Central: Randy & Lois Lanski, Michigan  
Northeast: Tom & Sheila Thomson, New Hampshire  
South: Dr. Farrar & Jeannette Howard, Virginia (National)  
West: K. C. & Joanne Van Natta, Oregon
- 1998** North Central: Ron Ott, Ohio  
Northeast: George & Joan Freeman, Pennsylvania (National)  
South: Roy & Sarah Malone, Georgia  
West: Lynn & Linda Butts, Oregon
- 1999** North Central: Woody & Ann Barton, Indiana  
Northeast: Bill & Elsie Slagle, West Virginia  
South: Chuck & Rose Lane Leavell, Georgia (National)  
West: Jim & Betty Doerksen, California

- 2000** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Glenn & Evelyn Charlson, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Nick & Ann Casto, West Virginia  
South: Skeet & Gail Burris, South Carolina (National)  
West: Richard & Anne Hanschu, Oregon
- 2001** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Jim & Alice Fish, Michigan  
Northeast: Enid & Bill Crawford, West Virginia  
South: Barnett & Edna King, Alabama (National)  
West: Walt and Dardean Wheaton, Washington
- 2002** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Jim & Jody Kerns, Iowa  
Northeast: Amelia Wright, Delaware  
South: John & Cathy Burke, Virginia  
West: Ron Bentz Family, Oregon (National)
- 2003** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Robert & Sheri Poel, Michigan  
Northeast: Clark & Rosemarie Granger, Maine  
South: Walt & Barbara McPhail, South Carolina  
West: Bob & Lynette Falkner, Washington (National)
- 2004** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: James & Marlene Zdanovec, Wisconsin (National)  
Northeast: Malcolm & Henrietta Olson, Pennsylvania  
South: John & Rebecca Spearman, South Carolina  
West: Chris & Donna Heffernan, Oregon
- 2005** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Nick & Carol Thoney, Michigan  
Northeast: Dave & Carol Clemens, Pennsylvania  
South: Donald Dyches & Family, South Carolina  
West: Tom & Sherry Fox, Washington (National)
- 2006** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Jack & Janet Sweigart, Ohio  
Northeast: Jim & Libby Walizer, Pennsylvania  
South: John & Nancy Rudd, Alabama  
West: Bob & Margaret Kintigh, Oregon (National)
- 2007** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: Nancy Livingston, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Jo & Kathy Pierce, Maine (National)  
South: Johney Haralson, South Carolina  
West: Bob Playfair & Thelma Fry, Washington
- 2008** \_\_\_\_\_ North Central: John Koerner and Family, Wisconsin  
Northeast: The Olver Family, Pennsylvania  
South: Bob and Jean Cooper, North Carolina (National)  
West: Bob Mezger, Oregon

- 2009** North Central: Robert Woodling and Linnea Good, Indiana  
Northeast: Thomas Bullock, Lenape Farms, Inc., New Jersey  
South: Earl and Wanda Barrs, Georgia (National)  
West: Ken and Lois Carpenter, Colorado
- 2010** North Central: Robert and Ingrid Sonnenberg, Minnesota  
Northeast: Trevor Evans, Vermont  
South: Salem, Dianne and Patrick Saloom, Alabama (National)  
West: Jim Cota, Scott and Robbie Melcher, Oregon
- 2011** North Central: Walt and Donna Lange, Ohio  
Northeast: Putnam Blodgett, Vermont  
South: Russ and Barbara Ford, Mississippi  
West: Steve and Janet Funk, Idaho (National)
- 2012** North Central: Charlie Williams, Kentucky  
Northeast: Mike and Vivien Fritz, Vermont  
South: Walt and Barbara McPhail, South Carolina (National)  
West: Bryan and Donna Loucks, Washington
- 2013** North Central: Joe Arington, Wisconsin (National)  
Northeast: Allen Yale, Jr., Vermont  
South: John William Bembry, Georgia  
West: Bill and Joan Arsenault, Oregon
- 2014** North Central: Kim and Dennis Schoeneck, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Bambi Jones and David Moskovitz, Maine  
South: Dwight and Judy Batts, North Carolina (National)  
West: Audrey and Rick Barnes, Oregon
- 2015** North Central: Merlin and Georgie Becker, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Raul Chiesa and Janet Sredy, Pennsylvania (National)  
South: The Boutwell Family, Alabama  
West: Duke and Naomi Hoiland, Montana
- 2016** North Central: Gerald and Charlotte Kann, Wisconsin  
Northeast: Eve-Cowles Family Tree Farm, Massachusetts  
South: Bobby Watkins, Mississippi  
West: Lyle and Dean Defrees, Oregon (National)
- 2017** North Central: Jim and Schatzi Ball, Missouri  
Northeast: Ned and Jean Therrien, New Hampshire  
South: Glenn and Scarlett Riley, Alabama (National)  
West: The Chrisman Family, Montana

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TREE FARMER</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>REGION</b>
1976	Fred Barber	Florida	Southern
1977	Linwood Lesure	Massachusetts	New England
1978	Henry & Florence Langford	Virginia	Southern
1979	Albert & Ella Dieshl	Washington	Western
1980	Ormond Danford	Michigan	North Central
1981	Milton (Buddy) Hopkins	Georgia	Southern
1982	Bert & Betty Udell	Oregon	Western
1983	David & Lucy Marvin	Vermont	New England
1984	Richard & Ruth Heck	Indiana	North Central
1985	Mike Demeree	New York	Mid-Atlantic
1986	Harry & Judy Chandler	Vermont	New England
1987	C. M. & Bernice Stripling	Georgia	Southern
1988	Pete & Anna Lou McNeill	Kentucky	Southern
1989	John & Mary Schmidt	Ohio	North Central
1990	Terry & Anne Ozier	Mississippi	Southern
1991	John (Jack) & Harriet Hamilton	New York	Northeast
1992	Frank & Mary Ellen Gilley	Maine	Northeast
1993	Wayne & Colleen Krieger	Oregon	Western
1994	Kirby & Lynda Beam	Georgia	Southern
1995	Chester & Rosett Thigpen	Mississippi	Southern
1996	Don & Rachel Jordan	Wisconsin	North Central
1997	Farrar (Doc) & Jeannette Howard	Virginia	Southern
1998	George & Joan Freeman	Pennsylvania	Northeast
1999	Chuck & Rose Lane Leavell	Georgia	Southern
2000	A. G. (Skeet) & Gail Burris	South Carolina	Southern
2001	Barnett (Barney) & Edna King	Alabama	Southern
2002	Ron Bentz Family	Oregon	Western
2003	Bob & Lynette Falkner	Washington	Western
2004	James & Marlene Zdanovec	Wisconsin	North Central
2005	Tom & Sherry Fox	Washington	Western
2006	Bob & Margaret Kintigh	Oregon	Western
2007	Jo & Kathy Pierce	Maine	Northeast

YEAR	TREE FARMER	STATE	REGION
2008	Bob & Jean Cooper	North Carolina	Southern
2009	Earl and Wanda Barrs	Georgia	Southern
2010	Salem, Dianne and Patrick Saloom	Alabama	Southern
2011	Steve and Janet Funk	Idaho	Western
2012	Walt and Barbara McPhail	South Carolina	Southern
2013	Joe Arington	Wisconsin	North Central
2014	Dwight and Judy Batts	North Carolina	Southern
2015	Raul Chiesa and Janet Sredy	Pennsylvania	Northeastern
2016	Lyle and Dean Defrees	Oregon	West
2017	Glenn and Scarlett Riley	Alabama	Southern

**NATIONAL TREE FARMER OF THE YEAR WINNING STATES:**

- OREGON (1982) (1993) (2002) (2006)(2016)
- GEORGIA (1981) (1987) (1994) (1999) (2009)
- ALABAMA (2001) (2010)(2017)
- WISCONSIN (1996) (2004) (2013)
- WASHINGTON (1979) (2003) (2005)
- PENNSYLVANIA (1998) (2015)
- NORTH CAROLINA (2008) (2014)
- SOUTH CAROLINA (2000) (2012)
- MAINE (1992) (2007)
- VIRGINIA (1978) (1997)
- MISSISSIPPI (1990) (1995)
- NEW YORK (1985) (1991)
- VERMONT (1983) (1986)
- IDAHO (2011)
- OHIO (1989)
- KENTUCKY (1988)
- INDIANA (1984)
- MICHIGAN (1980)
- MASSACHUSETTS (1977)
- FLORIDA (1976)

**REGIONAL TREE FARMER OF THE YEAR - WINNING STATES:**

(20) OREGON - 1978, 1982, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2014, 2016

(15) WISCONSIN - 1978, 1982, 1985, 1986, 1993, 1995, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2007, 2008, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

(10) PENNSYLVANIA - 1981, 1988, 1990, 1995, 1998, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2015

(9) MAINE - 1979, 1985, 1987, 1992, 1993, 1996, 2003, 2007, 2014

- (9) WASHINGTON - 1977, 1979, 1989, 1994, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2012
- (8) NEW HAMPSHIRE - 1978, 1980, 1982, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1997, 2017
- (8) OHIO - 1979, 1981, 1983, 1989, 1990, 1998, 2006, 2011
- (7) ALABAMA - 1983, 1991, 2001, 2006, 2010, 2015, 2017
- (7) GEORGIA - 1981, 1987, 1994, 1998, 1999, 2009, 2013
- (7) MISSISSIPPI - 1979, 1986, 1990, 1993, 1995, 2011, 2016
- (7) SOUTH CAROLINA - 1996, 2000, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2012
- (7) VERMONT - 1981, 1983, 1986, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013
- (6) MICHIGAN 1980, 1987, 1997, 2001, 2003, 2005
- (5) NEW YORK - 1977, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1991
- (5) WEST VIRGINIA - 1980, 1983, 1999, 2000, 2001
  
- (4) ARKANSAS - 1977, 1980, 1984, 1992
- (4) VIRGINIA - 1978, 1985, 1997, 2002
- (4) INDIANA - 1984, 1991, 1999, 2009
- (4) MONTANA - 1980, 1983, 2015, 2017
- (3) CALIFORNIA - 1981, 1991, 1999
- (3) MARYLAND - 1978, 1986, 1987
- (3) IDAHO - 1985, 1995, 2011
- (3) MISSOURI - 1977, 1992, 2017
- (2) DELAWARE – 1982, 2002
- (2) IOWA – 1994, 2002
- (2) COLORADO – 1996, 2009
- (2) KENTUCKY – 1988, 2012
- (2) NORTH CAROLINA – 2008, 2014
- (2) NEW JERSEY – 1976, 2009
- (2) MASSACHUSETTS – 1977, 2016
- (1) FLORIDA - 1976
- (1) ILLINOIS - 1988
- (1) LOUISIANA - 1989
- (1) MINNESOTA - 2010
- (1) TEXAS – 1982