

Biography of Don E. Coates

Don Coates has been an active member of the Town of Mount Desert for many years. In his career, he served as a teacher, principal, superintendent of schools, professor, and dean - excelling in all of these capacities.

He served as a Trustee of the Thuya Gardens, Director of the Mount Desert Island Land & Garden Preserve, Trustee – and now a lifetime Honorary Trustee - of the Northeast Harbor Library, and Chairman of its Scholarship Committee, Trustee and Deacon at his church, and was a long time Kiwanian. Don's involvement and dedication in support of these important community programs went well above and beyond his everyday job.

Over the years, Don has kept in contact with many of his former students and staff, continuing his friendship while acting as a mentor in their lives and careers. In all things he instilled in everyone he encountered the importance of a strong community.

Additionally, Don Coates is a great family man. In view of his incredible contributions to the greater Mount Desert community, we are pleased to establish this distinguished service award in his honor.

Don E. Coates Distinguished Service Award



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Nomination Deadline: April 1st.

The Don E. Coates Distinguished Service Award is sponsored by the Northeast Harbor Library's Board of Trustees and the Scholarship Committee. This special service award is presented to an individual who has made a significant positive contribution to the communities of the Town of Mount Desert, well above and beyond their job through volunteer or committee work, thus exemplifying the personal qualities of Don Coates. Nominations will be accepted through April 1st every year. The Selection Committee, made up of a Scholarship Committee member and two members of the Library's Board of Trustees, will choose a worthy candidate and the award will be announced around the 15th of June. A plaque honoring this distinguished individual will be presented during a special public reception at the Library. This person's name will also be displayed on a permanent plaque located inside the Library.

Candidate for Nomination

Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Personal Statement About Nominee

Criteria

- Volunteer work.
- Committee work.
- Exemplifies personal qualities like those of Don Coates
- Above and beyond everyday job..



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