



A unifying voice for Virginia's Forestry community.

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**GLEN MORRIS & SONS LOGGING, INC. WINS VIRGINIA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION'S
LOGGER MERIT AWARD**

RICHMOND, VA –Glen Morris & Sons Logging, Inc. of Unionville, Virginia, received the Virginia Forestry Association (VFA) 2019 Logger Merit Award on Thursday, May 2, at the 2019 Virginia Forestry Summit in Norfolk, Virginia. This was one of two Logger Merit Awards presented that evening. Since 1949, this award has recognized and honored outstanding logger performance in the Commonwealth. The recipient represents the “best-of-the-best,” exemplifying the highest professional standards as they serve as effective and positive public role models for the entire logging industry. Glen Morris & Sons Logging, Inc. previously received this award in 2006, as well.

David G. Morris, Jr., commonly known by his friends and family as Buck, has been in the logging industry for over 35 years. His father, David G. Morris, Sr., started Glen Morris & Sons Logging, Inc. in 1962, and the Morris sons continued the business in their father’s legacy. Morris is best known for his professionalism, eagerness to learn, and willingness to help out his community. Buck Morris is an active member of the Virginia Loggers Association, of which he is a founding member and currently serves on the Board of Directors for his region. He is also a member of the Virginia Forestry Association and a supporter of the SHARP Logger program and Log-A-Load for Kids®. Morris is an active member of the Orange County community and remains involved in local issues, helping advocate on issues of importance to the forestry community. He also donates his musical talents to aid in raising funds for local needs throughout the county.

“I always like crossing paths with Buck,” says Adam Downing, a local extension agent and forester for Virginia Cooperative Extension. “His contributions to a conversation are enlightening and sometimes necessarily provocative. He is a critical thinker and always looks out for the best of the forest industry as a whole.” “I have worked with Buck since 2006,” adds Ed Furlow, an Area Forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry, “and have witnessed his exemplary performance as a leader in the forestry community. He believes in conserving forestland and works hard to educate landowners on proper forest management methods.”

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About Virginia Forestry Association:

Founded in 1943, the Virginia Forestry Association (VFA) is a not-for-profit organization with the mission of representing Virginia’s diverse forestry community and promoting the sustainable use and conservation of forest resources to ensure their long term social benefits for all Virginians. VFA consists of a diverse membership, including forest landowners, foresters, forest products businesses, loggers, forestry consultants, and a variety of individuals and groups who are concerned about the future well-being of Virginia's forest resources and are willing to collaborate for the good of the industry. VFA seeks to be the unifying voice of Virginia’s forestry community through advocacy, outreach, and communications that enhance the public’s perception of the industry. Learn more at www.vaforestry.org.