## ROBERT H. MERRITT PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

The Robert H. Merritt Public Service Award was created and presented to Robert (Bob) H. Merritt in July 1996 by the Board of Selectmen in recognition and appreciation for outstanding public service to the Town of Carver and making it a better community in which to live. Bob has been a member of the Board of Selectmen, Carver Housing Authority, Local Housing Partnership, Habitat for Humanity, Friends of the Council on Aging, Inc., Public Health Nurses Advisory Board, MCI-Plymouth Community Relations Committee and Wareham Lighthouse Hospice Board, as well as Minister of United Parish, Chaplain of the Carver Fire Department, and Chaplain of Jordan Hospital.

The Town of Carver would like to continue to recognize the efforts of community members and is opening the Award to the public for nominations.

The criteria for nominating someone is as follows:

- Cannot Nominate Yourself
- Individuals being nominated will have consistently demonstrated qualities of compassion and service to either one organization or a variety of volunteer activities over time.
- Must be in a volunteer capacity. The events or services cannot be part of the nominee's job responsibilities, job description or duties and the individual cannot receive any monetary or personal benefits from their involvement.

The nominations will be rated using the following criteria:

- Degree to which their services/actions have made a lasting or meaningful contribution or impact on the community: 40%
- Length and degree of their service(s): 20%
- Extent to which their service(s) or action might be considered above and beyond regular participation: 20%
- Extent to which their action would impact or be valued by their peers/community: 20%

Nominations will be open March 1- March 31 only. No early or late nominations will be accepted.

Nominations will be reviewed by the Service Award Committee and the recipient will be announced in May and be recognized at a Select Board meeting.

Nominations must include the following:

- Name and contact information of person submitting nomination
- Name and contact information of person being nominated
- Detailed description of how this nominee meets the criteria

Submissions can be sent to: Human Resources, Carver Town Hall, 108 Main St. Carver, MA 02330 or via email to: <u>Elaine.weston@carverma.org</u> using 'Merritt Service Award' in the subject line.