



Sam K. Riffell Award for Conservation Excellence

Mississippi Chapter of The Wildlife Society

Sam K. Riffell left a strong impression on Mississippi wildlife Professionals and public. He was a researcher dedicated to solid statistical design for meaningful research projects aimed at improving people's lives. He was a teacher whose primary focus and passion was students and their success. He often expressed a deep understanding of students as they traversed their

undergraduate and graduate studies but also offered sincere kindness and care for their well-being.

In memory of Sam, the Mississippi Chapter of The Wildlife Society is pleased to present the Sam K. Riffell Award for Conservation Excellence to acknowledge a nominee who has excelled in at least two of the following categories:

- 1) research
- 2) teaching and outreach
- 3) management and restoration

Nominations should include a brief description of the nominee's character and accomplishments (< 250 words), list of accomplishments in the representative categories, application, and contact information for 3-5 professional references. At least 2 references should also be able to provide insights of the nominee's personal character. Self-nominations are not accepted. The Award's committee will review all applications and present the award at the annual business meeting of the Mississippi Chapter.

Please submit nominations to Adam Rohnke (adam.rohnke@msstate.edu) with "Riffell Award" in the subject line by August 15th, 2018.