

THE CHARLES W. WHITE AWARD

The Alabama Water and Pollution Control Association established the Charles W. White Award in 1967.

This Award is given each year to a member of The Alabama Water and Pollution Control Association for outstanding service to the field of Public Water Supply in Alabama and for their support of the goals and activities of the AWPCA.

This award memorializes the dedicated efforts made by Mr. Charles White in promoting safe drinking water, the water supply industry, and the training for water works operators.

Barry Junior (last name Junior as he always says) graduated from Wellborn High School near Anniston in 1980 and went to work for the Anniston Water Works Board in 1982. From the moment Barry was hired he knew he was where he wanted to be, doing what he wanted to do. A year or so later he became a certified treatment plant operator and advanced in a long career of service with Anniston at the Paul B. Krebs Water Treatment Plant at Coldwater Springs just a short distance from Barry's home.

In 1996 Barry's dedication to the public health and his devotion to public service were recognized when he was promoted to Operations Supervisor for the Krebs plant. Barry's enthusiasm for his chosen career has been evident to anyone who has ever visited the Krebs Plant and Coldwater Springs. He is not only knowledgeable in water treatment and the plant's operation; he is an authority on the unique history of the spring and its importance to the surrounding community. Those attributes have been evidenced by the many plant awards earned by his team at the Krebs plant during his tenure.

For the last several years Barry has been active with AWPCA and traveled the State of Alabama doing annual plant inspections. He currently serves as a board member with AWPCA. In 2001 Barry transferred to the E.C. Knowlton Plant at Hillabee Reservoir to broaden his knowledge in water treatment and carried with him his penchant for cleanliness and attention to detail. He may have grown one of the largest Philodendrons on record during the four years he supervised the Knowlton Plant.

He returned to Coldwater Spring in 2006 and continues to supervise the Krebs Plant where he has long since earned the respect of his coworkers throughout the organization for his honesty, sincerity and work ethic. Barry is a devoted husband to M'lissa and father to daughter Caitlin and son Micah who is married to Livi and expecting their first child. He is a dedicated member of the Edgewood Congregational Methodist Church.



Barry Junior (left) Plant Operations Supervisor at the Paul B. Krebs WTP receives the 2008 *Charles W. White Award* from former award recipient and co-worker, Kenneth Phillips (right).