



Richard E. McDevitt Award of Merit

This award is named for Richard E. McDevitt, President of AHSA from 1975 to 1987. In 1992, he received the Award of Merit, and was its only recipient until 2003.

Criteria: Awarded posthumously for meritorious service to equestrian sport.

Selection of Winner: Awarded to an individual who passed away between September 1, 2024, and October 15, 2025. To be awarded at the discretion of the Pegasus Awards Selection Group. Recipients of the following awards are ineligible for the Award of Merit: Lifetime Achievement Award or Pegasus Medal of Honor.

Award: Recognition to family and friends awarded at the Pegasus Awards Gala during the Annual Meeting.

Timeline: Nominations will be accepted starting in August from Affiliated Association Presidents and Executive Directors along with Breed and Discipline Committees. Nominations will be due October 15, 2025. The US Equestrian marketing department will review past issues of *Equestrian* for any additional nominees who fit the criteria. The nominees are forwarded to the National Officers and the Chairs of the two Sports Councils for selection. The family and friends of the winner(s) are notified and invited to the Pegasus Awards Gala.

Perpetual Trophy: Sterling silver revere bowl

Past Winners:

2019	Jeanette Durant Ann Haller Julie Kaufman Alexandra Mooney Bob Spence	Glena Wirtanen Jodi Zeier John Franzreb Lewis Haines Mason Phelps	2023	Nancy Turrill Kevin Freeman Karen Golding William "Bill" Hughes Carol Lavell
2020	Carl Bessette Carol Dean Porter Col. John Russell Eve Lloyd Thompson Gay Culverhouse Kip Rosenthal Larry Alcorn Patrick McGaughan Richard Petty Steven Blauner	Naomi Blumenthal Richard Taylor Sue Hershey Tremaine Cooper Vickey Bowman Grace Greenlee Joanne Crockett William "Bill" Ellis John King Antonio "Pusito" Lopez		Suzy Lucine Dr. Meg "Muggy" Mullin Stephen Soule, VMD Peggy Thomas Margaret "Sissie" Anderton Trish Gilbert Larry Jerome Fran Steinwedell
2021	Anne Barlow Ramsay	Richard Picken	2024	Patty Stovel