This article is dedicated to

**Gil George.**

Gil worked very hard to preserve and conserve the native plants of Rhode Island and he received awards from many environmental groups for his tireless efforts.

He also authored two books with annotated listings of the native plants which grow in Rhode Island and New Hampshire.

To me, Gil was a good friend and mentor and a kindred spirit. Sadly for all of us, Gil died ten years ago. He left a legacy of caring and stewardship for all of us to follow.

His labors still inspire me and many others, and I have a feeling every time I explore the fields and woods, wherever I may go, Gil is somewhere watching down and smiling.

For all his good work and accomplishments, I want to say to him, “Well done, dear friend, well done.”