

APPRECIATION

Commencing with the 1991 Town Report, the Town has annually recognized a Fremont resident who has given much of their time to the Town.

THE 2019 APPRECIATION RECOGNIZES

John "Jack" Downing

Jack and Lorraine Downing moved to Fremont in 1961 to live in the home that Lorraine grew up in. As their 7 children went through the school system they were involved in the PTA and sports programs in town. This was the beginning of their volunteer work for Fremont. They have always had a passion to help the community to make Fremont the best that it could be. Lorraine had a gift of gardening and had several gardens of her own and donated to the Garden Clubs plant sales from her own beautiful gardens.

Jack has always been so proud of the time he put in on the various Committees he has served. He loved to be able to help the Town and make friends and bonds with the folks he served with. He always refers to everyone as "his friends."



Jack Downing is a gentleman farmer at his Chester Road Farm. He has a quiet wit and a great sense of humor with a gentle smile that pulls you in. He has served the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment each for a dozen years from 2008 - 2019. He has participated with the Open Space Committee; and also served two years when the Highway Study Committee was active, working on several highway topics and future planning.



Jack joined us as the 2015 Memorial Day Parade Grand Marshal and we thank him for his service as a Staff Sergeant, US Army Special Forces.

Jack we thank you for your service and wish you sunny days on the farm in your retirement!

Photos courtesy of Theresa Blades, with special thanks for her contributions.

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

~ Margaret J Wheatley