

THE FULLER AWARD

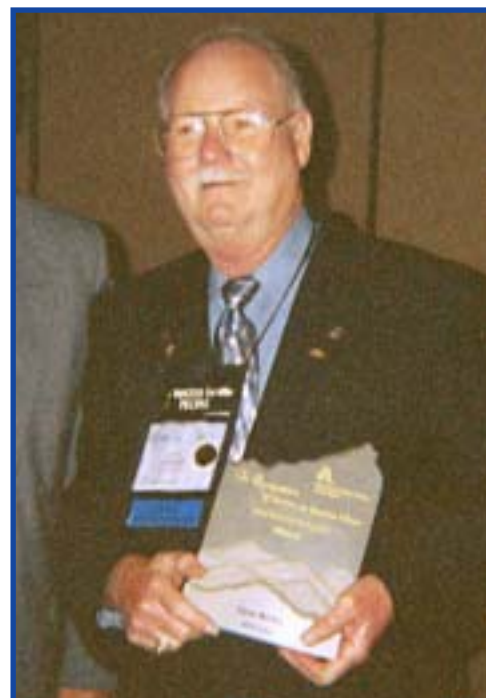
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“Little can be said about George Warren Fuller without recalling a thousand and one connections which he has had with sanitary engineering practice in this country and abroad. Amazingly active mentally, he always catalyzed those individuals who were fortunate enough to work with him. An enthusiasm tempered by seasoned judgment and reinforced by a remarkable technical knowledge, accounting for the fact that his name is identified with almost every important sanitary advance in this country in the last four decades. Many, however, are born at the right time who are either ill equipped or are lacking in sufficient vision to make the most of that good fortune. In Mr. Fuller’s case, heredity and environmental influence, coupled with remarkable energy, all contributed to the development of a practitioner of outstanding stature. He will be remembered long in the future, as much for his distinctive personal characteristics as for his long list of contributions to sanitary science and practice.” So wrote Abel Wolman editorially in *Municipal Sanitation* after Fuller’s death on June 15, 1934.

In October 2003, the Southwest Section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) presented the highest award possible through the AWWA, The Fuller Award, to Gene Barker. Gene is Ford’s District Manager for Arkansas and Louisiana, and past Chairman of the Southwest Section of the AWWA. This award is presented to AWWA members, on recommendation of AWWA sections, for their distinguished service in the water supply field.

During Ford’s 105-year history, The Fuller Award has been presented to John Ford, Sr., Indiana Section – 1950, John Ford, Jr., Arizona Section – 1971 and Ollie Goodlander, Indiana Section – 1974. Ollie was also National Director of AWWA - 1976.

Gene’s long career with public water has included a variety of municipal related positions including instrument technician, personnel and purchasing. Gene started with Ford in 1979 and has managed sales in Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, and Northern Florida. Congratulations to Gene Barker on his great achievement!



Gene Barker poses with The Fuller Award.

