

## **BILLY YOUT EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD**

William H. Yout, affectionately known as “Billy” to his friends, family and colleagues, served with distinction as a Special Agent and Supervisory Special Agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and its predecessor agency, the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. During his career with DEA, he was the recipient of numerous awards and commendations for his skills as a criminal investigator, undercover agent and supervisor. He retired from DEA on March 31, 2004, following 32 years of distinguished service as a federal law enforcement officer. Sadly, Billy passed away on August 06, 2004, after a year long battle with brain cancer. Billy was a strong supporter of Law Enforcement Exploring and whenever possible volunteered to serve as a member of the DEA staff at National Law Enforcement Exploring Conferences and other Exploring activities.

The Billy Yout Excellence in Leadership Award was established to recognize Law Enforcement Explorers who best exemplify the visionary leadership qualities that Billy demonstrated during his impressive career with DEA. In order to be considered for this award, a Law Enforcement Explorer must be selected to attend the biennial National Law Enforcement Exploring Leadership Academy sponsored by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).