



**STEVE ADAMS  
RECEIVES STEVE EPPS LIFETIME  
SERVICE AWARD**

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**Hilton Head Island, SC, July 23** – Steve Adams, ZKR Express, has been awarded the Steve Epps Lifetime Service Award which honors STA members who have been a member of STA for 20 years or more, are retiring or have retired, served the association in many capacities of leadership and service during their years of membership. Steve Epps served as president of STA in 1985-86 and remained an active member of STA until his death in 2010. Recipients are selected by vote of the Board of Governors. The presentation was made during the STA Business Breakfast Session of the Joint Annual Meeting of the STA and Fiber Buyers Groups at The Sonesta Resort at Shipyard Plantation. The Award was presented by Ed Cox, Plant Manager, Burlington Fabrics and Past President of STA.

Steve Adams graduated from Southern Technical Institute and had his Textile Engineering training at Georgia Tech. He began his textile career at Thomaston Mills in 1961 through a Co-Op program where he worked in textile management. Adams joined Barber Coleman in 1974. Following Barber Coleman, he joined North Chemical Company as Textile Chemical Sales/Technical/R&D and became Vice President of all Sales/Technical/R&D until 1986. In 1986 he joined Seydel-Woolley as President and held that position until his retirement in 2018. He started ZKR Express Inc. in 1999 and named the company for his first three grandkids, Zack, Kaitlyn, and Ryan.

Steve was a member of many textile organizations and served on the Board of many of them. He has traveled all over the world giving speeches and technical papers. He has spent 58 year's in the textile industry and still plans to be involved in some capacity. He has also served on the Board of Directors at Southside Church for over a decade.

Adams joined STA in 1974 and has attended 44 out of 45 annual meetings, attended hundreds of division meetings, and has served on the STA Board of Governors for over 35 years.

Steve and his wife Brenda have been married for 54 years and they have two children and six grandchildren. They now reside on Lake Hartwell.

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