



*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."*