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| **2023 Marvin Kemp Award** |
| The Marvin Kemp Award was established in 1961. Marvin Kemp is the father of counseling in the State of South Dakota. His interests were wide and varied, but his concern and dedication were centered in one concept-service to youth- specifically the youth of South Dakota. He began as a teacher at Faulkton High School. He went on to become a Principal and a Superintendent at Faulkton and then at Belle Fourche. His talents were recognized by the Governor and he was selected to become the Secretary of the North Central Association and the State High School Supervisor. He was appointed as the first Director of Guidance for the State of SD and was responsible for bringing guidance and counseling services to students in SD. He was verbal and articulate, a pioneer who instilled in others the heart and the will to provide service to the people of SD. He was the driving force behind the establishment of the SD Personnel and Guidance Association-today known as the South Dakota Counseling Association. He called together the first meeting of counselors in the state. Because of him, we exist today as an organization.  This award is meant to recognize a counselor who has been involved for a lengthy period of time in the counseling profession-someone who has been involved with the organization and has provided a high level of service both to clients and follow counselors.  The Marvin Kemp Award is SDCA's highest honor and the winner is chosen by the SDCA Board of Directors. These winners must:   * Have contributed to the counseling profession and SDCA for an extended period of time (minimum of 10 years) * Be active in their community as a civic leader/volunteer * Display continued professional growth * Be a member of SDCA   Nominations for this award must be completed by March 1, 2023.  Nominations will stand for 2 years unless SDCA is informed otherwise.  This is your chance to give us a clear understanding of why this individual should receive the Marvin Kemp Award.  Give us specific examples and strong words.  Help us see what you see in them.  These words won't just be helpful in guiding us as to who should receive the award-they will also be used at the SDCA awards ceremony to help the rest of the organization know how great this individual is. |
| **Who is completing this form?** |
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| **This award requires 2 people to nominate.  Who else is nominating this individual (and filling out this form separately, on their own)?** |
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| **Who are you nominating for the Counselor of the Year Award?** |
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| **In what ways is this individual a leader or a volunteer?** |
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| **How does this person demonstrate the Marvin Kemp values of service and professional growth?** |
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| **What else would you like to say about this individual?** |
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