

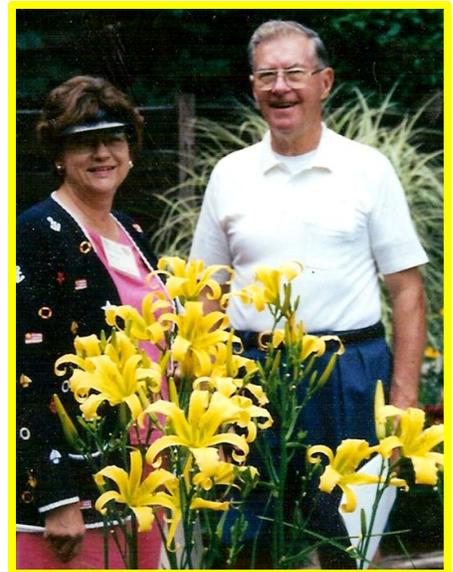


# 'Banana Pepper Spider'



Our featured daylily this year is **'Banana Pepper Spider'**, registered by my daughter Heather Herrington in 1994. It is 44" x 8", EM, Sev Dip, Spider Ratio 4.11:1, Deep yellow self with vivid green throat. Pictured to the left is Heather at age 10 when she won the Best Youth Entry in the 1983 Dublin Daylily Show when she first joined AHS. Ironically she is standing in front of **'Kindly Light'** (which the bloom is right over her head) which is a parent of her **'Banana Pepper Spider'**. The other parent was **'Green Widow'**. The next year she became the youngest exhibition judge ever in the history of AHS. **'Banana Pepper Spider'** has become an All Star daylily throughout the United States and Canada and has been used as a parent for many other daylilies by other hybridizers. In 2017 it is a candidate for the Harris Olson Spider Award in its last year of eligibility.

Pictured to the right is my late wife, soul mate & partner in daylilies, Katisue, and the late Stu Morton standing in front of **'Banana Pepper Spider'** in his garden in Pennsylvania at the 2000 AHS National hosted by the Delaware Valley Daylily Society. This is when this daylily made its debut nationwide.



When Heather first saw **'Banana Pepper Spider'** bloom as a seedling she knew she was on to something big and finally had a very exciting and electrifying

spider with a huge green throat which added another level of distinction to yellow spiders in the 1990's.

Heather continues to hybridize for outstanding spider daylilies. She has without a doubt influenced the world of daylilies with her hybridizing program by utilizing the goals of developing daylilies that are highly resistant to rust, have above- average branching and bud count, have the ability to rebloom, have great garden and show habits, and that are pretty and distinctive. She has achieved outstanding results with her spiders and unusual forms in terms of very erect scapes, very green throats, and bright colors.

