

Edmiston, Roger (from The Forester Sept 2013)

Vale Roger Edmiston

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Roger Edmiston, known and respected by many who worked with the Forests Department, died recently at the age of 85. Roger came to WA to work at Dawson's nursery as a trained horticulturalist. He was expert at all aspects of propagation of trees and shrubs and soon joined the Forests Department, working in research then Peter Hewett's Extension Branch. He was hard working, a mentor, a man with a generous spirit and a wonderful colleague, remembered as a champion and pioneer in use of native plants in water-wise gardens. The native plants which line Perth's freeways are a legacy of his work, along with the several publications he authored or co-authored. He will be remembered as a fine ambassador of both the horticultural and forestry professions.