Bill Satterwhite

Bill Satterwhite is known as the “Bluebird Man” with good reason. For nearly 25 years Bill has been a force supporting the re-establishment of the bluebird population in Wake County. After a career of 40+ years as a radiological technologist, mostly at Rex Hospital, he retired as Head of the X-ray Department. He and his wife Jeanne enjoyed the usual retirement activities, especially playing golf, traveling and square dancing. As those pastimes paled, he entered the program to become a master gardener. It was while training for that pursuit that he encountered a bluebird box and the rest is history. He has been involved in the installation of bluebird boxes for at least 17 trails at schools, county and city parks, churches and golf courses. There are boxes here at the University Club, at the JC Raulston Arboretum, and the Lonnie Poole Golf Course. He has spent countless hours speaking at schools, garden clubs, retirement centers and civic organizations. As the letters of support for his nomination attested, his enthusiasm and dedication are greatly admired. And Bill recently celebrated his 97th birthday. He is truly a great example of what can be accomplished in retirement.