In Memory of Duimpie Bayly





Duimpie Bayly returned from a master's study in California (USA) and being exposed to the importance of scientific dialogue between scientists and the industry, played an instrumental role in the establishment of the South African Society for Enology and Viticulture (SASEV) in 1957. SASEV originated from the, then established, SA Scientific Viticultural Association (SASVA). The name was changed to SASEV in 1977.

He was the first elected President of SASEV and, with colleagues passionate about science, formed a Board and rolled out the first conferences, workshops, international study tours and scientific journal. In 1986 Duimpie was awarded the Medal of Honor for his exceptional contribution to the Wine and Viticulture industry, which included his life-long support to SASEV. He became Honorary President of SASEV in 1994 and held this position until he passed away.

Duimpie was constantly involved in SASEV's activities and faithfully attended conferences and information days. He was well-known to all international researchers and was always willing to assist with a wine tasting or a cellar visit, a true ambassador of the SA wine industry. He always inspired and took interest in research projects and helped many students finding a place in the Wine and Viticulture industry.

The last SASEV event Duimpie attended was the annual SASEV awards ceremony held at Neethlingshof in April 2021. He was a **SASEVer** in heart and soul till the end. We have lost a great pioneer and friend and will miss you dearly at all SASEV events. Your support to, SASEV over five decades was enormous. We salute you for this!

