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10th Annual Celebration

The Virginia Livestock Hall of Fame

2019

This year is the tenth anniversary of the Virginia Livestock Hall of Fame. It was established in 2009 for the purpose of bestowing honor and recognition upon outstanding Virginians who have made significant contributions to Virginia's livestock industry and its people.

Through 2018, 67 have been honored and have their portraits on permanent display in the gallery at the Virginia Tech Alphin-Stuart Livestock Arena. Five more, featured in this brochure, will be inducted on Saturday, **Sept. 28, 2019.**

Sponsoring state commodity organizations include the Virginia Cattlemen's Association, the Virginia State Dairymen's Association, the Virginia Pork Council, the Virginia Sheep Producers Association and the Virginia Horse Council.

The public induction ceremony to unveil the 2019 honorees portraits is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the Virginia Tech Alphin-Stuart Livestock Arena at 500 Plantation Road, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Virginia Livestock Hall of Fame 2019 Inductees

Honorees

J. Burton Eller, Jr.

1941-

Gaithersburg, Maryland

Longtime leader and advocate of the beef industry, Virginia native Burton Eller was known among colleagues as a coalition builder. He developed as an expert at coalescing disparate factions in the food, agriculture, and natural resources sectors around the legislative and regulatory issues of mutual benefit.

(Nominated by the Virginia Cattlemen's Association)



Daniel J. Myers and Teresa Callender

1939 -

1965-

Harrisonburg, Virginia

The well-known Holstein breeding establishment, Walkup Farm, combines the efforts of Dan Myers and daughter, Teresa Callender, and their families. Well known for quality genetics, they are even more well known as farmers who have a passion for the dairy industry and are well respected by the community and their fellow producers.

(Nominated By the Virginia State Dairymen's Association)



Aaron Oliver Gunn (Pioneer)

1924-2017

Vinton, Virginia

From a modest beginning, Aaron Gunn has left a legacy through his American Saddle Horse breeding program at Spring Grove Stables in Lunenburg County. He also made an impact on subsequent generations as they continue their equine ventures with honesty, sportsmanship, and integrity. He was active in the American Saddle Horse Association and was an avid churchman.

(Nominated by the Virginia Horse Council)



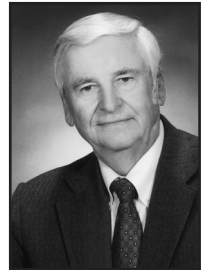
Randall S. Updike

1941 -

Washington, Virginia

With VDACS, Randall S. Updike developed buyer relations which increased competition for Virginia livestock, guided growth of the Virginia Cattle Feeders Association, promoted feeder cattle to out-of-state buyers, started year-round feeder cattle marketing, and oversaw swine exports to South America. He was a noted livestock judge and coached the 1965 national winning 4-H Livestock Team.

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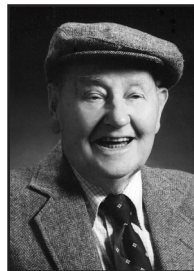
Floyd W. Lofton (Pioneer)

1921-2005

Berryville, Virginia

Floyd W. Lofton was an outstanding breeder of Hampshire and Yorkshire hogs who contributed to the improvement of commercial swine in the region. He was recognized by the Virginia Swine Breeders Association and the Virginia Pork Industry Association. His honesty and integrity carried over into his community service in Clarke County, particularly his great support of 4-H livestock programs and the county fair.

(Nominated by the Virginia Pork Board)



You Are Invited!

After the ceremony, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the brothers of Alpha Gamma Rho invite you to join in a BBQ lunch and program celebrating the professional achievements of Dr. Gary Minish.

Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity House
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Please RSVP for lunch by Friday, September 20

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