Waseca County Distinguished Agricultural Leadership Nomination Award

A Project of the Agribusiness Committee
of the Waseca Area Chamber of Commerce

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To recognize and honor distinguished individuals who positively and significantly impact Waseca County agriculture. Award recipients shall have demonstrated outstanding leadership in Waseca County through business or employment or other significant involvement in the advancement of the agricultural industry.

General Information:

The award winner(s) each year will be recognized publicly at the Waseca County Farm and City Luncheon in March.

Nominations can be made by individuals or businesses statewide. Nominators shall acquire information about the nominees. Completed nomination forms will be due by December 1st. You can locate the nomination form online at www.wasecachamber.com or at the Waseca Chamber of Commerce office at 105 22nd Ave NE Suite A, Waseca.

The process will be supervised by the Waseca Area Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness Committee. The selection will be conducted by a team that will include at least one agricultural producer, an agribusiness representative, a banker, an educator, and past award recipients.

The term agriculture, for purposes of this award, is meant to embrace the broadest definitions of agriculture, including production agriculture, food, and natural resources. This can include people who are or have been engaged in farming, agricultural input supply (consulting, finance, sales, service, etc.), marketing, food manufacturing and distribution, education, research, and/or government.

There is one compilation plaque, and each winner will also receive an appropriate memento as a permanent and visible remembrance of this distinguished award. Those awards made posthumously will be presented to the family.

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□ Active (<75 years of age) □ Senior Active (>75 years of age) □Posthumous

Please tell us about the applicant or nominee. Be sure to include the following information:

Nominee: Name, Birthdate, Spouse's name, Children's names, Address, Cell phone, Years as resident of Waseca County, All education and degrees. If this is a nomination form, the nominator should include their personal contact information as well. If this is a *posthumous nomination*, please include the family's contact name, Date of death, and relationship information.

Please complete the following questions in an essay format:

1) **Briefly describe the farming operation, agribusiness and/or occupation of the nominee.** (Also include how long this person has been involved in agriculture in Waseca County.)

2) **Provide a brief history of the nominee's leadership and service roles in agriculture and their significance.** (Include the nominee's involvement in local, state, and national agriculture-related activities.)

3) **List examples of agricultural or agriculturally related industry recognition previously awarded to this nominee**. (You may comment on the significance of each.)

4) **List non-agricultural organizations or associations, including community, church, youth, or government, in which the nominee was a member.** (List offices held and awards received.)

5) **Why do you believe you, or this candidate, deserves recognition for this award?** (This could include achieving or exceeding industry standards of performance in crop or livestock production, teaching excellence, research and/or development, institutional or organizational leadership, innovation, etc.)

6) **Please describe the nominee's efforts that have directly or indirectly impacted or contributed to Waseca County.**

I certify that the above statements are true and accurate.

Signature of Nominator Date

Signature of Nominee Date