

VIRGINIA AGRIBUSINESS COUNCIL
AWARDS PROGRAM
PAST RECIPIENTS

AGRIBUSINESS AWARDS

SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF AN AGRIBUSINESS - To an agribusiness deserving recognition for service and support to the Council and Virginia agribusinesses.

2008 - First Bank & Trust Co.	2010 - Graves Mountain Farms	2012 - Brookmeade Sod Farm
2013 - Knoll Crest Farms	2014 - R.O. Mayes and Son	2015 - Shen. Valley Produce Auction
2016 - Houff's Feed and Fertilizer	2017- Loudoun County Econ. Dev.	2018 - James River Nurseries; Strange's Florist; Brookmeade Sod Farm
2019 - Virginia Cattle Company		

AGRIBUSINESS OF THE YEAR - For a member of the Council for exceptional contributions to Virginia agribusinesses.

2001 - Colonial Farm Credit	2008 - MeadWestvaco Corp.	2015 - Saunders Brothers, Inc.
2002 - Southern States Coop.	2009 - Montague Farms, Inc.	2016 - First Bank and Trust
2003 - Philip Morris, USA	2011 - Old Dominion Grain	2017- Rappahannock Electric Cooperative
2004 - Va., Md., and Del. Association of Electric Coops.	2012 - Smithfield Foods, Inc.	2018- Universal Leaf Tobacco. Co.
2005 - Farm Credit of the VAs	2013 - MD and VA Milk Producers Cooperative	2019- Graves Mountain Farms
2007 - State Fair of Virginia	2014 - Perdue AgriBusiness	

AGRIBUSINESS ENVIRONMENT - To an agribusiness to recognize outstanding achievements, research, or practices that benefit both agribusiness and the environment.

2001 - Green Valley Poultry Farm	2011 - Kenwood, LLC	2015 - Bleak House Farm
2007 - Virginia Biodiesel Refinery	2012 - J.N. Mills & Sons	2016 - Van Der Hyde Dairy
2008 - Va. State Dairymen's Assn.	2013 - Peter McDonough	2017- Cub Run Dairy
2010 - Delta Springs Farm	2014 - Battlefield Farms	2018 - Engel Family Farms
2019- Riverhill Farms		

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Land Grant University Award - To an outstanding faculty member, administrator, or employee of a Virginia Land Grant University (Virginia Tech or Virginia State University) for meritorious or exemplary service to the industry of agribusiness during their career.

1989 - Bobby L. Flippen	Keith Balderson	2013-Dr. Jewel Hairston (Specialist)
1990 - Herbert Jones	2004 - Mike Parrish	Cynthia Marston (Agent)
1991 - Arden N. Huff	2005 - Dr. Dee Whittier	2014 - Dr. Charles Steger (Admin.)
1992 - A.L. "Ike" Eller	2007 - Dr. Scott Hagood (Specialist)	Dr. Wade Thomason (Spec.)
1993 - "Ned" Conklin	Paul H. Davis (Agent)	2015 - Dr. Ed Jones (Admin)
Harold Roller	2008 - Dr. Pat Phipps (Specialist)	Jennifer Gagnon (Staff)
1994 - Harlan E. White	Eric Bendfeldt (Agent)	2016 - Dr. Tony Wolf (Specialist)
1995 - James C. Maitland, Sr.	2009- Dr. Gordon Groover (Specialist)	Bob Pitman (Admin)
1996 - Dr. Allen Harper	Cynthia Gregg (Agent)	2017- Brad Jarvis (Agent)
1997 - Dr. Dan Brann	2010 - Dr. Ames Herbert (Specialist)	Dr. Tom Kuhar (Professor)
1998 - Dr. Glen Heuberger	Phil Blevins (Agent)	2018- Scott Jessee (Agent)
1999 - Jim Belote	2011 - Dr. Chris Teutsch (Specialist)	Dr. David Holshouser (Professor)
2001 - Dr. Mark Alley	Steve Hopkins (Agent)	2019- Taylor Clarke (Agent)
2002 - Dr. Jim Jones	2012- Dr. Scott Greiner (Specialist)	Dr. Doug Pfeiffer (Professor)
2003 - Dr. Charles Swann	David Moore (Agent)	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF AN INDIVIDUAL - To a person or persons deserving recognition for service to agribusiness, but not to the degree or for the length of time necessary for eligibility to received the Distinguished Service Award.

1976 - Hunter R. Greenlaw	1993 - Robert Gomperts	2002 - Dennis Treacy
1977 - Dr. Claud L. Scroggs	1994 - Emily G. Lewis	2005/6 - Hugh Harris
1980 - Mrs. B. Chewning Watkins	1994 - Margaret B. Watkins	2007 - Edward Metcalf, Sr.
1981 - Mrs. Madge Bush	1995 - Edward T. Scott;	2009 - Dr. Carl Griffey
1982 - A.S. "Slim" Mistr	A. Lee Mitchell	2010 - Roy E. Seward
1983 - Dr. James R. Nichols	1996 - Dr. Dennis Brown	2011 - Jeb Hockman
1985 - Roy A. Meek	1997 - Cathy Wright, Robins	2012 - Jeff Ishee
1986 - M. Willard Miller	Buck, Susan Simpson	2013 - Dee Dee Darden
1987 - John H. Settle, Jr.;	1997 - Steve Mitchell, Lisa Lloyd	2014 - Dixie Watts Dalton
Charles M. Saunders, III	1998 - Wayne C. Ashworth	2016 - Bruce Beahm
1988 - Jack Cahoon	1999 - John Miller	2017- Billy Dawson
1990 - Liz Kashurba	Dr. Dave Kohl	2018 - Ronnie Gill
1991 - George A. Morrow	2001 - Delbert O'Meara; Charles	2019 - Paul & Boogie Davis
1992 - S. Mason Carbaugh	Longest; John Parker	

ALVIN W. BLAHA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD - To an individual for meritorious service to the Virginia Agribusiness Council and the State's industry of agribusiness over a long period of time.

1975 - R. H. Strickler	1993 - R. DuVal Dickinson	2005 - David M. Chilton
1976 - David E. Laird, Jr.	Galen B. Brubaker	2006 - Clay Roberts
1977 - Mrs. Emily Lewis	1994 - Reginald H. Nelson, IV	2007 - Dr. A. L. "Ike" Eller, Jr.
1979 - Roie M. Godsey	J. Carlton Courter, III	2008 - Alvin Blaha
1980 - Hunter M. Greenlaw	1995 - John C. Anderson	2009 - L. Bruce Holland
1981 - Paul E. Mullinix	1996 - Glen C. Sink	2010 - Bill Birdsong
1982 - George E. Dodson	Gene A. James	2011 - Gabriele Rausse
1983 - Maurice B. Rowe	1997 - Bryan Taliaferro	2012 - Greg Farmer
1984 - Robert E. Comerford, Jr.	1997 - Otis L. Brown	2013 - Paul Rogers
1986 - Taylor E. Gore	1998 - C. M. Saunders, III	2014 - The Hon. Todd Haymore
1987 - Stanley O. Forbes	1999 - Robert Strickler; Jerry Gass	2015 - Gerry Underwood
1988 - H. Earl Longest	2001 - Tom Kirkpatrick	2016 - Billy Bain
1989 - Bob Bryan	2002 - Billy Park; Paul Saunders	2017- Dave Lawrence
1990 - Richard Andrews	2003 - Dr. Andy Swiger	2018 - Ambassador Dick Crowder
1991 - James H. Starkey, III	Bette B. Brand	
1992 - C.J. Martin	2004 - Neal Martin	2019 - Dr. Dave Kohl

DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD - To a past leader of the Council for meritorious service to the Virginia Agribusiness Council and the State's industry of agribusiness.

2007 - Douglas R. Phillips	2011 - Jim Saunders	2015 - Bill Hayter
2008 - Louis L. Brooking, Jr.	2012 - Matt Faulconer	2016 - Danny Shreckhise
2009 - J. Hudson Reese	2013 - Ollie Kitchen	2017- Larry Seamans
2010 - Charlie Wood	2014 - Eric Holter	2018- Lynn Graves
2019 - Bette Brand		

DISTINGUISHED FRIEND OF AGRIBUSINESS - Presented at the Appreciation Banquet to a member of Congress, state legislator, governor, or other influential governmental official for exceptional support of Virginia's agribusiness industry for a period of years.

1978 - Gov. Mills E. Godwin, Jr.
1979 - Rep. William C. Wampler
1981 - Gov. John N. Dalton
1982 - US Sen. John W. Warner
1984 - Sen. Howard P. Anderson
1985 - Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson
1986 - Sen. Elmon T. Gray
1993 - Del. Robert B. Ball, Sr. (D)
1994 - Del. V. Earl Dickinson (D)
1995- Del. J. Paul Councill, Jr. (D)
1996 - Sen. John W. Warner (R)
1997- Rep. Thomas J. Bliley, Jr. (R)
1998 - Rep. Virgil Goode (D)
1999 - Sen. John Watkins (R)
2000 - Rep. Norman Sisisky (D)
2001 - Del. Bob Bloxom (R)
2002 - Sen. Charles Hawkins (R)
2003 - Sen. Emmett Hanger (R)
2004 - Sen. Edd Houck (D)
2005 - Sen. John Chichester (R)
2006 - Gov. Mark R. Warner (D)
2007 - Rep. Bob Goodlatte (R)
 Del. R. Steven Landes (R)
2008 - Del. Bobby Orrrock (R)
2009 - Del. Bev Sherwood (R)
2010 - Del. James Shuler (D)
2011 - Del. Ed Scott (R)
2012 - Sen. Phillip Puckett (D)
2013 - Gov. Bob McDonnell (R)
2014 - Sen Frank Ruff (R)
2015 - Sen. Mark Obenshain (R)
2016 - Sen. Lynwood Lewis (D)
2017 - Delegate Kirk Cox (R)
2018 - Congressman Rob Wittman (R)
2019 - Senator Rosalyn Dance (D)