

Governor's Agriculture Hall of Fame Award Nomination

The 2024 Governor's Agriculture Hall of Fame award will be presented at the "Taste of Maryland" on February 6, 2025, to a farm family who has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to agriculture in Maryland and to the communities in which they live and work. An award winner will be chosen by a Governor's Selection Committee from nominees submitted by county agricultural leaders; the decision of the committee is final. Only one nominee per county will be considered. All nominations must be submitted with complete information on this official nomination form. Applications must also include photos of the family and the farm. Nominations are due to Harrison Palmer no later than 5 p.m. on October 4, 2024.



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Governor's Agriculture Hall of Fame Members

2023	Willard Family Willard Farms, LLC	Montgomery
2022	Fritz Family Fritz Farm LLC	Carroll
2021	Eck Family MAE-VUE Farms	Queen Anne's
2020	Sandra Cross Family Cross Family Farm	Prince George's
2019	Temple Rhodes Family Chestnut Vale Farm	Queen Anne's
	Roger Richardson Family Richardson Farm	Worcester
2018	Charles Linthicum Family Seneca Ayr Farms	Montgomery
2017	Bowling Family Bunker Hill Farm	Charles
2016	Milburn Family Milburn Orchards	Cecil
2015	Swann Family Swann Farms	Calvert
2014	Chip & Jo Ann Councill Councill Farms	Talbot
2013	Dick & Jan Edwards Oakland View Farms	Caroline
2012	Edwin Fry Family Fair Hill Farms, Inc.	Kent
2011	Robert Stabler Family Pleasant Valley Farm	Montgomery
	Drew Stabler Family Sunny Ridge Farm	Montgomery
2010	Thomas Kohl, Jr. Angelica Nurseries, Inc.	Kent
	Joseph & Laura Layton Lazy Day Farms/Layton's Chance Vineyard	Dorchester
2009	Mehrle Ramsburg Jr Family Brookfield Farms	Frederick
	John A. Prouty Family Willow Oak Farm	Calvert
2008	Earl & Jeff Griffith Family Griffith Farms	Anne Arundel
	Harry Black Family Catoctin Mountain Orchard	Frederick
2007	Patrick Family Maple Dell Farm	Howard
	Schmidt Family Schmidt Farms	Queen Anne
2006	Malkus Family Blackwater Farms	Dorchester
	Dell Family Cranberry Meadows Farm	Carroll
2005	Hutchison Brothers Hutchison Brothers	Talbot
2004	William Anderson Family Wimberly Farms	Somerset
	Wheatley Neal Family Neal Farms, Inc.	Caroline
2003	Marion & Gladys Holland Glad-Mar Farms	Worcester

	John H. Murray Family John Murray & Sons	Somerset
2002	C. William (Bill) & Jean Knill Knills Family Farm	Carroll
	Russell & Shirley B. Watson Robin Hill Farm Nursery, LLC	Prince George's
2001	Charles Mason Mason's Dairy Farm	Garrett
	William & Patsy Guy Guy Farms, Inc.	Wicomico
	Grove & Jack Miller Pleasant View Farms	Cecil
2000	Lewis R. & Virginia Riley Quint Riley Beaver Run Farms, Inc.	Wicomico
	Conrad & Patricia Langenfelder The Langenfelder Family	Kent
1999	Jack & Cassandra Briscoe John D. & Mary Briscoe Stonesby Farm & The Cage Farm	Calvert
	Joseph & Nona Schwartzbeck Joseph Schwartzbeck Family	Carroll
1998	John & Betty Herbst	Washington
	Henry W. Mason Woodbine Farm	Cecil
1997	Wilbert R. and Louise Paul Leaning Pine Farm, Inc	Allegany
	W. Blan & Frances Harcum, Sr. Beechnut Farms	Wicomico
	Henry S. & Barbara W. Holloway	Harford
	Richard S. & Harriett W. Holloway	Harford
1996	William & Susan Sutton William Sutton Family	Kent
1995	John & Ruth-Schillinger Papa John's	Anne Arundel
	Leon & Shirley Enfield Enfield Farm	Frederick
1994	Oren C. Bender Cove-Run Farms	Garrett
	Donald & Betty Cole The Cole's	Carroll
1993	Norman & Annice Fike Richland Orchard Farm	Talbot
1992	Harold & Helen Marie Walter	Charles
	William & Pearl Ebey Overholt	Somerset
1991	C. Rodman & Jean Myers Catoctin Mountain View Farm	Frederick
	Young D & Lonnie Hance Susan Hance-Wells Taney Place Farm	Calvert
	Roland & Mildred Darcey Edgewood Farm	Prince George's

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FAMILY FARM INFORMATION

Farmer's Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Farm Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Website: _____

Farm Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Number of Years in Farming: _____

Type of Farm: _____

Size of Farm (Acres): _____ Number of Animals: _____

Provide reasons why this farm family should be inducted into the Governor's Agriculture Hall of Fame. Information should be provided on no more than 5 typed 8 ½ x 11 pages in 12-point font. In addition to the written nomination, photos of the family and farm must be attached.

Please ensure your nomination includes the following:

- Family history
- Farm history
- Agriculture and community leadership
- Involvement in agriculture organizations or activities
- Service to the community
- Technological and management advancements, *i.e.*, soil and water conservation practices, machinery innovations, safety strategies, marketing, crop and livestock production, etc.) Describe how these advancements helped the farmer meet goals.
- Awards or recognitions received by the farm or family.

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**GOVERNOR'S AGRICULTURE HALL OF FAME
LOCAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE SIGNATURE PAGE**

The following local nominating committee members have reviewed the attached *Governor's 2024 Agriculture Hall of Fame of Maryland Nomination Form* and by signing, are endorsing the application for consideration by the Selection Committee:

University of Maryland County Agriculture Extension Agent

Name:
Address:

Phone:
Email:

SIGNATURE: _____ Date _____
County Agriculture Extension Agent

County Farm Bureau President

Name:
Address:

Phone:
Email:

SIGNATURE: _____ Date _____
County Farm Bureau President

Soil Conservation District Manager

Name:
Address:

Phone:
Email:

SIGNATURE: _____ Date _____
Soil Conservation District Manager

****Note:** Applications **MUST** be endorsed by the County Extension Agent, County Farm Bureau President, and Soil Conservation District Manager for consideration.