

AMERICAN FORAGE AND GRASSLAND COUNCIL

Past Winners

Allen Illumination Award

2008 Vivien G. Allen, TX
2009 John Baylor, PA
2011 David Zartman, OH
2012 Carl Hoveland, GA
2015 Kim Stine, TX
2017 Ozzie Abaye, VA
2018 Garry Lacefield, KY
2019 Don Ball, AL
2020 Mark Kennedy, MO
2023 Keith Johnson, IN
2023 Peter Ballerstedt, OR
2024 Ray Smith, KY
2025 Adegbola Tolulope Adesogan, FL

Medallion Awards

1960 Ladd Haystead, Journalist, California
1961 Carl B. Bender, Sperry Rand Corporation
1962 Tom E. Milliman, G.L.F. Cooperative, New York
1963 Firman E. Bear, Rutgers University
1964 Howard B. Sprague, The Pennsylvania State University
1965 Glenn W. Burton, USDA-ARS, Georgia
1966 R. Merton Love, University of California
1967 Wilfred R. Thompson, Mississippi State University
1968 Robert E. Wagner, University of Maryland
1969 Edward A. Silver, New Holland Machine Company
1970 Roy E. Blaser, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
1971 John E. Baylor, The Pennsylvania State University
1972 Angus A. Hanson, USDA-ARS, Maryland
1973 Maurice E. Heath, Purdue University
1974 Darell E. McCloud, University of Florida
1975 Dale Smith, University of Wisconsin
1976 J. Ritchie Cowan, Oregon State University
1977 William C. Templeton Jr., University of Kentucky
1978 Warren C. Thompson, North American Plant Breeders
1979 John B. Washko, The Pennsylvania State University
1980 Gerald O. Mott, University of Florida
1981 Robert F. Barnes, USDA-ARS, Louisiana
1982 Arthur G. Matches, Texas Tech University
1983 Walter F. Wedin, Iowa State University
1984 Arthur E. Spooner, University of Arkansas
1985 Arland W. Pauli, Deere & Company, Illinois
1986 Carl S. Hoveland, University of Georgia
1987 James R. Turner, U.S. Borax Corporation, California
1988 Joseph P. Fontenot, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
1989 Wayne W. Hanna, USDA-ARS, Georgia
1990 Bob C. Darst, Potash & Phosphate Institute
1991 Joe D. Burns, University of Tennessee
1992 Garry D. Lacefield, University of Kentucky
1993 Don M. Ball, Auburn University
1994 John E. Moore, University of Florida
1995 Neal P. Martin, University Of Minnesota
1996 Robert Kalton, Iowa State University
1997 Waldemar J. (Wally) Moline, Michigan State University
1998 Clive Holland, Pioneer Hi-bred International, Inc.
1999 Vivien Allen, Texas Tech University
2000 Jerry Nelson, University of Missouri

2001 Jim Moutray, ABI Alfalfa
2002 Jimmy Henning, University of Kentucky
2003 Dan Undersander, University of Wisconsin
2004 Harlan White, Virginia Tech
2005 Darrell A. Miller, University of Illinois (retired)
2006 Edward K. Twidwell, Louisiana State University
2007 John Reed Rodgers, Dairy Farmer
2008 William Talley, Summit Seeds
2009 Hank Bendorf, Shawnee Mission, KS
2010 Richard Leep, Ph.D., Hickory Corners, MI
2011 Dave Forgey, Logansport, IN
2012 Marvin Hall, University Park, PA
2013 Ray Smith, Wilmore, KY
2014 Gary Pederson, Griffin, GA
2015 Chris Teutsch, Blacksburg, VA
2016 Glen Aiken, Lexington, KY
2017 Michael Casler, Madison, WI
2018 Dr. Monte Rouquette Jr., Texas
2019 Geoff Brink, Madison, WI
2020 Dennis Hancock, Athens, GA
2024 Derek Woodfield
2025 Ann Blount, Quincy, FL
2026 Matt Poore, Raleigh, NC
2026 Johnny Rogers, Roxboro, NC

Merit Awards

1962

B.W. Alfred, USDA-SCS
K.L. Anderson, Kansas State University
G.Q. Bateman, Utah State University
B.A. Brown, University of Connecticut
E.M. Brown, USDA-ARS, University of Missouri
F.V. Burcalow, University of Wisconsin
G.W. Burton, USDA-ARS, Georgia
J.R. Cowan, Oregon State University
E.W. Crampton, MacDonald College, Canada
G.C. Delp, New Holland Machine Company
D.R. Dodd, The Ohio State University
F.W. Duffee, University of Wisconsin
E.N. Fergus, University of Kentucky
F.H. Hamlin, Papec Machine Company
J.R. Harlan, USDA-ARS, Oklahoma State University
M.A. Hein, USDA-ARS, Maryland
W.A. Hewitt, Deere & Company
C.R. Hoglund, Deere & Company
R.M. Love, University of California, Davis
M.E. McCullough, Georgia Experiment Station
W.M. Meyers, University of Minnesota
M.L. Peterson, University of California, Davis
H.A. Schoth, USDA-ARS, Oregon State University
V.G. Sprague, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
W.R. Thompson, Mississippi State University

1963

J.E. Baylor, The Pennsylvania State University
R.E. Blaser, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
W.H. Hosterman, USDA-ARS, Washington, D.C.
W.A. King, Clemson College
O.M. McConkey, Ontario Agriculture College, Canada
M.H. McVickar, California Chemical Company
C.E. Poulton, Oregon State University
F.S. Prince, University of New Hampshire

F.A. Raymalely, American Cyanamid Company
M.E. Singley, Rutgers University

1964

O.S. Aamodt, USDA-ARS, Maryland
L.F. Graber, University of Wisconsin
H.O. Graumann, USDA-ARS, Maryland
W. Heckendorn, American Seed Trade Association
H.J. Hull, Hull Advertising and Public Relations Company
W.K. Kennedy, Cornell University, New York
H.H. Rampton, USDA-ARS, Oregon State University
G.A. Rogler, USDA-ARS, North Dakota
H.A. Steppler, MacDonald College, Canada
M.B. Tesar, Michigan State University

1965

E.J. Chapman, University of Tennessee
H.H. Cole, University of California, Davis
S.H. Dobson, North Carolina State University
L.A. Moore, USDA-ARS, Maryland
F.G. Parson, University of California, Davis
J.T. Reid, Cornell University, New York
E.A. Silver, New Holland Machine Company
D. Smith, University of Wisconsin
L.H. Smith, Purdue University, Indiana
E.T. York, University of Florida

1966

B.D. Blakely, USDA-SCS
G.R. Gist, The Ohio State University
H.S. Hartwig, Cornell University, New York
H.D. Hughes, Iowa State University
A.G. Law, Washington State University
G.O. Mott, Purdue University, Indiana
O.E. Sell, Georgia Agricultural Experiment Station
M.A. Sprague, Rutgers University, New Jersey
H.H. Tucker, Sohio Chemical Company
G.M. Werner, University of Wisconsin

1967

R.E. Davenport, Hoard's Dairyman, Wisconsin
C.H. Gordon, USDA-ARS, Maryland
D.E. McCloud, University of Florida
L.C. Newell, University of Nebraska
J.B. Stere, New Holland Machine Company, Pennsylvania
J.T. Sullivan, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
M.R. Teel, American Farm Research Association, Indiana
C.P. Wilsie, Iowa State University
W.W. Woodhouse, North Carolina State University
L.E. Yost, Hesston Corporation, Kansas

1968

J.W. High, Jr., Middle Tennessee Agricultural Experiment Station
V.L. Marble, University of California, Davis
W.E. Monroe, Louisiana State University
M. Renning, University of California, Davis
A.E. Spooner, University of Arkansas
P.J. Van Soest, Cornell University, New York
J.B. Washko, The Pennsylvania State University
C.M. Wolgemuth, Milton Hershey School Farms, Pennsylvania

1969

C.T. Blake, North Carolina State University
J.W. Bratzler, The Pennsylvania State University
R.E. Chiles, Oklahoma State University
A.M. Decker, University of Maryland
T.E. Graham, Graham Farms, Indiana
W.K. Griffith, American Potash Institute
L.E. Peters, Jr., New Holland Machine Company
W.C. Thompson, University of Kentucky
W.F. Wedin, Iowa State University
L. Wilbur, USDA-ARS

1970

O.N. Andrews, Auburn University
L.E. Arnold, Arnold-Thomas Seed Service, California
J.D. Burns, University of Tennessee
E.L. Butler, International Harvester Company
I.E. Miles, Olin Mathieson Chemical Company
N.D. Morgan, American Potash Institute
T.H. Taylor, University of Kentucky
C.Y. Ward, Mississippi State University
W.C. White, National Plant Food Institute, Washington, D.C.

1971

O. Bohnert, Farmer, Central Point, Oregon
R.C. Buckner, USDA-ARS, University of Kentucky
H.P. Ewalt, Oregon State University
R.S. Fulkerson, University of Guelph, Canada
N. Gustafson, Hesston Corporation, Kansas
A.A. Hanson, USDA-ARS, Maryland
M.C. McJunkin, U.S.S. Argi-Chemical, Georgia
W.L. Nelson, Potash Institute of North America, Indiana
F.W. Schaller, Iowa State University
G.E. Van Riper, Deere & Company, Illinois

1972

C.S. Brown, University of Maine
D.S. Chamblee, North Carolina State University
H.B. Howell, John Jacob Astoria Branch Experiment Station, Astoria, Georgia
H.K. Luttringer, New Holland Machine Company
A.G. Matches, USDA-ARS, University of Missouri
J.N. Pratt, Texas A&M University
W.C. Templeton, Jr., University of Kentucky
J.R. Turner, U.S. Borax and Chemical Corporation, California
C.R. Acord, Utah State University

1973

H.P. Alley, University of Wyoming
R.F. Barnes, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
D.F. Burzlaff, Texas Tech University
N.R. Goetze, Oregon State University
N.L. Taylor, University of Kentucky

1974

C.H. Hanson, USDA-ARS, Maryland
C.H. Herbel, USDA-ARS, New Mexico
H.J. Hodgson, USDA-CSRS, Washington, D.C.
B.S. Horne, The Pennsylvania State University

W. Keller, USDA-ARS, Utah State University
E. Pifer, Executive Secretary, AFGC
A.R. Schmid, University of Minnesota
F. Volentine, Farmer, Shreveport, Louisiana

1975

J.D. Baldrige, USDA-ARS, Missouri Agricultural Research Station
A.W. Hovin, University of Minnesota
V.E. Jacobs, University of Missouri
C.E. Kaiser, Farmer, Crawford County, Indiana
W.E. Knight, USDA-ARS, Mississippi State University
C.L. Mondart, Jr., Louisiana State University
H.W. Ream, University of Wisconsin
D.A. Rohweder, University of Wisconsin
R.W. Van Keuren, OARDC, Wooster, Ohio
L.L. Wilson, The Pennsylvania State University

1976

R.S. Adams, The Pennsylvania State University
W.E. Barksdale, Barksdale Agri-Communications
C.S. Hoveland, Auburn University
G.A. Jung, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
H.E. Kaerwer, Northrup King, Minnesota
G.C. Marten, USDA-ARS, University of Minnesota
D.A. Mays, Tennessee Valley Authority, Alabama
J.E. Moore, University of Florida
A.W. Pauli, Deere & Company, Illinois
J.M. Scholl, University of Wisconsin
E.M. Smith, University of Kentucky

1977

D.K. Barnes, USDA-ARS, University of Minnesota
R.J. Buker, Forage Farmers' Cooperative, Indiana
J.C. Carpenter, West Louisiana Experiment Station
H.A. Fribourg, University of Tennessee
E.J. Peters, USDA-ARS, University of Missouri
M.L. Ray, University of Arkansas
C.G. Scruggs, Progressive Farmer Magazine
W.R. Thompson Jr., American Potash Institute
V.H. Watson, Mississippi State University
H.E. White, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

1978

I. T. Carlson, Iowa State University
N.A. Clark, University of Maryland
H.W. Essig, Mississippi State University
J.K. Evans, University of Kentucky
J.H. Graham, Waterman-Loomis Company
R.P. Knowles, Agriculture Canada
F.A. Martz, University of Missouri
R.L. Reid, West Virginia University
J.M. Sund, University of Wisconsin
D.R. Waldo, USDA-ARS, Maryland

1979

R.F. Cornelius, County Agent, Kentucky
L.A. Derscheid, South Dakota State University
L.J. Elling, University of Minnesota
H.K. Goering, USDA-ARS, Maryland
R. Hamilton, Rancher, Thedford, Nebraska
E.C. Holt, Texas A&M University

R.R. Kalton, Land O 'Lakes Research Farm, Iowa
W.J. Moline, University of Arkansas
C.J. Nelson, University of Missouri
H.W. Wellhausen, University of Arkansas

1980

C.H. Cooley, Dobson Manufacturing Company, Kansas
P.N. Drolson, University of Wisconsin
E.M. Hodges, University of Florida
D.W. Jones, University of Florida
K.T. Leath, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
W.G. Monson, USDA-ARS, Georgia
L.E. Moser, University of Nebraska
D.C. Petritz, Purdue University
J.B. Powell, USDA-ARS, Maryland
M.H. Schonhorst, University of Arizona

1981

J.C. Benham, Farmer, Rockwood, Ontario, Canada
A.K. Dobrenz, University of Arizona
W.R. Kehr, USDA-ARS, University of Nebraska
M.R. Kilcher, Agriculture Canada
V.L. Lechtenberg, Purdue University
W.C. McCormick, University of Georgia
W.E. McMurphy, Oklahoma State University
N.P. Martin, University of Minnesota
J.S. Shenk, The Pennsylvania State University
O.T. Stallcup, University of Arkansas

1982

D.E. Brown, Land O 'Lakes, Inc. Idaho
R.J. Bula, USDA-ARS, Wisconsin
R.H. Hart, USDA-ARS, Wyoming
G.D. Lacefield, University of Kentucky
J.B. Moutray, North American Plant Breeders, Inc. Iowa
L.M. Rommann, Oklahoma State University
F.M. Rouquette, Jr., Texas A&M University
D.A. Sleper, University of Missouri
R.R. Smith, USDA-ARS, University of Wisconsin
B.M. Zweber, Farmer, Elko, Minnesota

1983

G.E. Carlson, USDA-ARS, Maryland
J.R. Hartle, Jr., Farmer, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania
W.A. Kendall, USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
D.A. Miller, University of Illinois
R.D. Munson, Potash & Phosphate Institute
W.E. Oliver, Louisiana State University
C.L. Rhykerd, Purdue University
V.R. Vahlkamp, Hay Grower, Carlyle, Illinois
R.L. Vetter, A.O. Smith Harvestore, Illinois

1984

D.M. Ball, Auburn University
J.C. Burns, USDA-ARS, North Carolina State University
H.J. Burton, Farmer, Leiters Ford, Indiana
D.W. Graffis, University of Illinois
W.W. Hanna, USDA-ARS, Georgia
V.W. Hays, University of Kentucky
R.R. Hill, Jr., USDA-ARS, U.S. Regional Pasture Research Laboratory
J. Nichols, University of Nebraska

1985

J.R. George, Iowa State University
R.C. Hann, Milton Hershey School Farms, Pennsylvania
C.J. Kaiser, University of Illinois
C.O. Little, University of Kentucky
J.F. Parrish, Parrish Plantation, Louisiana
C.H. Schnitzler, Farmer, Waynesburg, Kentucky
C.M. Taliaferro, Oklahoma State University
E. Thompson, Executive Secretary, AFGC
P.R. Utley, USDA-ARS, Georgia
L.R. Vough, University of Maryland

1986

D.R. Buxton, USDA-ARS, Iowa State University
W.F. Faw, Louisiana State University
B. Goplen, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
H. Heichel, USDA-ARS, University of Minnesota
L.R. Mason, Louisiana State University
M.A. Massengale, University of Nebraska
J.R. Rodgers, Dairyman, Plum Bottom Dairy Farm, Pennsylvania
T.H. Ryan, North American Plant Breeders, Inc. Kansas
H.D. Wells, USDA-ARS, Georgia
D.D. Wolf, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

1987

C.P. Bagley, Rosepine Research Station, Louisiana
B.S. Baker, West Virginia University
B.C. Darst, Potash & Phosphate Institute
H.C. Gayman, Farmer, Waynesboro, Pennsylvania
J.T. Johnson, University of Georgia
W.M. Larson, Northrup King, Minnesota
B.A. Melton, New Mexico State University
C.C. Sheaffer, University of Minnesota
K.L. Smith, Sandoz Crop Protection, Texas
J. Ward, University of Nebraska

1988

F. Campbell, Funks Seed International
C.G. Chambliss, University of Florida
R.W. Frank, Jackson County Extension Service
E.R. Jones, Delaware State College
T. Lawrence, Agriculture Canada
R. Mikesell, Mikesell Stock Farm, Ohio
W. Murphy, University of Vermont
M. Rasnake, University of Kentucky
G.R. Smith, Texas A&M University
K.P. Vogel, University of Nebraska

1989

L. Aldag, Illinois Department of Agriculture
V.G. Allen, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
B.E. Anderson, University of Nebraska
E.T. Bingham, University of Wisconsin
G.W. Fick, Cornell University, New York
D. Forgey, Farmer, Logansport, Indiana
B.J. Hankins, University of Arkansas
R.F. Lucey, Cornell University, New York
D.L. Robinson, Louisiana State University

1990

J.J. Caddell, Oklahoma State University
M. Collins, University of Kentucky
R.L. Dalrymple, Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation
C.T. Dougherty, University of Kentucky
G.B. Garner, University of Missouri
H.J. Gerken, Jr., Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
G.M. Hill, University of Georgia
K. Johnson, Purdue University
J.F. Pedersen, University of Nebraska
K.H. Quesenberry, University of Florida

1991

P.R. Beuselinck, USDA-ARS, University of Missouri
J.R. Gerrish, University of Missouri
J.C. Henning, University of Kentucky
K.J. Moore, USDA-ARS, University of Nebraska

1992

M.D. Casler, University of Wisconsin
D.J. Dorsett, Texas A&M University
D. Engle, Oklahoma State University
W.R. Ocumpaugh, Texas A&M University
C.A. Rotz, USDA-ARS, Michigan State University

1993

R. Burris, University of Kentucky
G.W. Evers, Texas A&M University
L.R. Nelson, Texas A&M University
E.K. Twidwell, South Dakota State University
C.P. West, University of Arkansas

1994

J.H. Cherney, Cornell University, New York
S.L. Fales, The Pennsylvania State University
R. Hoyum, Western Ag-Minerals Company, Texas
J.M. Phillips, University of Arkansas
D.J. Undersander, University of Wisconsin

1995

Hank Bendorf, ABI Alfalfa
Joseph H. Bouton, University of Georgia
Marvin H. Hall, Penn State University
Clive Holland, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.
Vance O. York, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

1996

David Bade, Texas Agricultural Extension Service Bryan, TX
Vincent Haby, Texas Agricultural Research and Extension Center, Overton
Gary Pederson, USDA-ARS, Mississippi State, MS
Anna Storgaard, University of Guelph, Canada

1997

Sim A. Reeves, Jr., Texas Ag Extension Service-Overton
Matt A. Sanderson, USDA-ARS University Park, PA
Lynn E. Sollenberger, University of Florida

1998

Wink Alison, LSU Ag Center - NE State
Richard E. Joost, American Plant Food

Ron Tombaugh, Dart Hay Service
Jeffrey J. Volenec, Purdue University
Mimi J. Williams, USDA-ARS STARS

1999

Roy Deason, Pennington Seed, Inc., Georgia
Tom Keene, Creech Incorporated, Kentucky
Real Michaud, Soils and Crops Research Centre, Canada
James Read, Texas A&M University, Texas
Raymond Taylor, Wax Company, Mississippi

2000

Glen Aiken, USDA/ARS, Arkansas
Byron L. Burson, USDA/ARS, Texas
Debbie J.R. Cherney, Cornell University, New York
James R. Russell, Iowa State University, Iowa
Bill Tucker, Tucker Family Farms, Virginia

2001

Dennis Buckmaster, Penn State University, Pennsylvania
John Jennings, University of Arkansas, Arkansas
Kevin Kephart, South Dakota State University, South Dakota
Tapani Kunelius, Agri-Food Canada, Prince Edward Island
Everett Thomas, Miner Institute, New York

2002

Gary Bates, University of Tennessee, Tennessee
Arvid Boe, South Dakota State University, South Dakota
Wayne Coblenz, University of Arkansas, Arkansas
Roger Gates, University of Georgia, Georgia
Robert Kallenbach, University of Missouri, Missouri

2003

Dan Grigson, University of Kentucky, Kentucky
Tim Phillips, University of Kentucky, Kentucky
Robert Sliger, University of Tennessee, Tennessee
Tim Springer, USDA-ARS, Woodward, Oklahoma

2004

Bob Hendershot, USDA-NRCS, Lancaster, Ohio
Rich Leep, Michigan State University, Michigan
R. Mark Sulc, Ohio State University, Ohio
Bill Talley, Summit Seed Company, Kentucky
Brad Venuto, USDA-ARS, El Reno, Oklahoma

2005

Shabtai Bittman, British Columbia, Canada
Phil Howell, Syngenta Seeds, Kentucky
Daren Redfearn, Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma
Ray Smith, University of Kentucky, Kentucky
Roger Staff, NRCS, Greenville, Illinois

2006

James Devillier, Louisiana
Martin Entz, Manitoba, Canada
Dariusz Malinowski, Texas
Dean Oswald, Illinois

2007

Dr. David Barker, Ohio
Dr. Bruce Coulman, Saskatoon, Canada
Mike Galbraith, Pennsylvania

Allen Hogan, Louisiana
Byron Sleugh, Iowa

2008

Dr. John Andrae, Clemson, South Carolina
Wedge Barthe, Norwood, Louisiana
Sid Brantly, Lexington, Kentucky
Paul Craig, Dauphin, Pennsylvania
Dr. James Muir, Stephenville, Texas

2009

Doo-Hong Min, Ph.D., Chatham, MI
Miles Kuhn, Lafayette, IN
Chad Hale, Lebanon, OR
H. Allan DeRamus, Ph.D., Lafayette, LA
Geoffrey Brink, Ph.D., Madison, WI

2010

Joao M.B. Vendramini, Ona, FL
Glenn Shewmaker, Ph.D., Twin Falls, ID
Paul Beck, Ph.D., Hope, AR
Betsy S. Dierberger, Ph.D., East Lansing, MI
Kenneth Coffey, Ph.D., Fayetteville, AR

2011

Mark Kennedy, Houston, MI
Joseph L. Moyer, Ph.D., Parsons, KS
Howard Straub, St. Johns, MI
Gary Wilson, Findlay, OH
Yoana Newman, Ph.D., Gainesville, FL

2012

Kenneth Turner, Ph.D, Beaver, WV
Terri Hawbaker, Pewamo, MI
Joel Reagan, Romance, AR
David Lang, Ph.D., Mississippi State, MS

2013

Twain Butler, Ardmore, OK
Kim Cassida, East Lansing, MI
Lynn Olson, Jerome, ID
Sam Stratton, West Lafayette, IN
Chris Agee, Madison, GA

2014

Rocky Lemus, Mississippi State, MS
Chris Teutsch, Blackstone, VA
Troy Downing, Tillamore, OR
Fae Holin, Vadnais Heights, MN
Woody Lane, Roseburg, OR

2015

Dennis Hancock, GA
Dirk Philipp, AR
Robert Shoemaker, VA
V Mac Baldwin, NC

2016

Brian Baldwin, MS
Kenneth Albrecht, WI
Guillermo Scaglia, LA
Stan Dutile, LA

James Klotz, KY

2017

Krishona Martinson, MN
Chris Penrose, OH
Kenny Simon, AR
Michael Flythe, KY
Jerry Swisher, VA

2018

Clayton Geraldts, KY
Jason Tower, IN
Pat Burch, VA
Matt Poore, NC
Shane Gadberry, AR

2019

Dr. Jennifer Tucker, GA
Dr. Kathy Soder, PA
Dr. Scott Flynn, MO

2020

William Anderson, GA
Peter Ballerstdt, OR
Kim Mullenix, AL

2021

Carole Knight, GA
Chris Prevatt, GA

2022

Walter Fick, KS
Leanne Dillard, AL
Keith Harmony, KS

2023

Marcelo Wallau, FL
Johnny Rogers, NC
J.B. Daniel, VA

2024

Lisa Baxter, GA
Jesse Morrison, MS
Vanessa Corriher-Olson, TX

2025

Liliane Silva, SC
Steve Woodruff, NC

2026

Bruno Pedreira, TN
Isabella Kagan, KY

Distinguished Grasslander Awards - 1981-1994 (listed alphabetically)

Barney Arnold, Henryville, Indiana
Lloyd E. Arnold, Conroe, Texas
Joe D. Baldrige, Columbia, Missouri
Frank G. Bamer, State College, Pennsylvania
John E. Baylor, State College, Pennsylvania
Kenneth G. Beachley, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania
David F. Beard, Highland, Maryland
Roy E. Blaser, Blacksburg, Virginia

Raymond W. Brougham, Palmerston North, New Zealand
Robert C. Buckner, Lexington, Kentucky
Glenn W. Burton, Tifton, Georgia
Doyle Chambers, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
W.A. Chapline, Washington, D.C.
Walter R. Childers, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
J. Ritchie Cowan, Corvallis, Oregon
Sam H. Dobson, Raleigh, North Carolina
Eugene J. Ely, Auburn, Nebraska
J. Kenneth Evans, East Bernstadt, Kentucky
Herman J. Gorz, Lincoln, Nebraska
Clarence H. Hanson, Beltsville, Maryland
A.A. "Gus" Hanson, Beltsville, Maryland
Francis A. Haskins, Lincoln, Nebraska

Maurice E. Heath, West Lafayette, Indiana
Harlow J. Hodgson, Madison, Wisconsin
William L. Kjelgaard, State College, Pennsylvania
William E. Knight, Starkville, Mississippi
Wilfred E. McMurphy, Stillwater, Oklahoma
R. Merton Love, Davis, California
William E. Monroe, Shreveport, Louisiana
Nevin D. Morgan, Shreveport, Louisiana
Gerald O. Mott, Gainesville, Florida
Laurence C. Newell, Lincoln, Nebraska
William M. Oliver, Horner, Louisiana
Loren M. Rommann, Stillwater, Oklahoma
O. Charles Ruelke, Gainesville, Florida
Frank W. Schaller, Ames, Iowa
Charles H. Schnitzler, Waynesburg, Kentucky
Arthur T. Semple, Lyon, Colorado
Dale Smith, Madison, Wisconsin
Arthur E. Spooner, Fayetteville, Arkansas
Howard B. Sprague, State College, Pennsylvania
Timothy H. Taylor, Lexington, Kentucky
William C. Templeton, Jr., Lexington, Kentucky
Warren C. Thompson, Lexington, Kentucky
Wilfred R. Thompson, Sr., Starkville, Mississippi
John B. Washko, State College, Pennsylvania
Ward C. Waterman, Bakersfield, California
Jack E. Winch, Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Golden Anniversary Distinguished Grasslanders - 1994

Joe D. Burns, Knoxville, Tennessee
Foy Campbell, Montgomery, Alabama
Willis A. King, Clemson, South Carolina
Arland W. Pauli, Lanark, Illinois
Dwayne A. Rohweder, Sun Lake, Arizona
James R. Turner, Arcadia, California
Robert W. Van Keuren, Wooster, Ohio
Robert E. Wagner, Stone Mountain, Georgia
Walter E. Wedin, Bloomington, Minnesota
Charles M. Wolgemuth, Hershey, Pennsylvania

Distinguished Grasslander Awards - 1995-2026

1995 William K. Griffith, Great Falls, Virginia
1995 Norman Taylor, University of Kentucky
1996 R.P. Knowles, Agriculture Canada
1997 Hiram D. Palmertree, Starkville, Mississippi
1998 John E. Moore, Gainesville, Florida
1998 Charles L. Rhykerd, West Lafayette, Indiana
2000 G.A. (Jerry) Jung, U.S. Pasture Research Laboratory, Pennsylvania
2001 Robert Barnes, Madison, Wisconsin

2001 Don Dorsett, Bryan, Texas
2002 R.L. Dalrymple, Ardmore, Oklahoma
2004 Carl Hoveland, Athens, Georgia
2005 Don Graffis, University of Illinois, Illinois (posthumous)
2005 Russell Hackley, Clarkson, Kentucky
2005 C.J. (Jim) Kaiser, University of Illinois (retired)
2006 David Bade, Texas
2006 Bill Wilson, Texas
2007 Richard Hann, Pennsylvania
2007 R. Wayne Harpster, Pennsylvania
2007 Dr. John Shenk, Pennsylvania
2008 Dr. Henry Fribourg, Tennessee
2008 Dr. Gerald Evers, Texas
2009 Larry Jeffries (Posthumous) New Castle, KY
2010 David Hileman, Tyrone, PA
2010 Fred Martz, Ph.D., Columbia, MO
2010 John Reed Rogers, Belleville, PA
2011 Richard G. Hungerford Jr., Mahomet, IL
2012 Joe Bouton, Ardmore, OK
2013 Vivien Allen, Huntland, TN
2013 Ed Rayburn, Morgantown, WV
2014 Ken Johnson, Tompkinsville, KY
2015 Garry Lacefield, KY
2015 Don Ball, AL
2016 Keith Johnson, IN
2017 Bob Hendershot, OH
2017 Steve Washburn, NC
2018 Don Sorrell, KY
2019 David Fiske, VA
2020 Matt Poore, NC
2020 Tom Keene, KY
2022 Robert Shoemaker, VA
2023 Alan Rotz, PA
2024 Jimmy Henning, KY
2025 Lynn Sollenberger, FL
2026 Woody Lane, OR

David Fiske Affiliate Council of the Year (formerly President's Award)

1989 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council
1990 Wisconsin Forage Council
1991 Indiana Forage Council
1992 Mississippi Forage and Grassland Council
1993 Minnesota Forage and Grassland Council
1999 Kansas Forage and Grassland Council
2000 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council
2001 Missouri Forage and Grassland Council
2003 Oregon Hay and Forage Council
2004 Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council
2005 Illinois Forage and Grassland Council
2006 Ohio Forage and Grassland Council
2007 Missouri Forage and Grassland Council
2008 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council
2009
2010 Illinois Forage and Grassland Council
2011 Arkansas Forage and Grassland Council
2012 Illinois Forage and Grassland Council
2013 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council
2014 Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
2015 Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council
2016 Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
2017 Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
2018 South Carolina Forage and Grazing Lands Coalition

2019 Oregon Forage and Grassland Council
2020 Kansas Forage and Grassland Council
2021 Indiana Forage Council
2026 Arkansas Forage and Grassland Council

Presidential Citation

1993 J. Kenneth Evans, East Bernstadt, Kentucky
1994 Jack W. Bartlet, Awarded Posthumously (1st Chairman of JCGF)
1994 Zur W. Craine, Awarded Posthumously (1st Sec-Treasurer of JCGF)
1997 David Hannaway, Oregon State University
1999 Jim O'Rourke, Chadron State College, Nebraska
2000 Mimi Williams, USDA/ARS STARS, Florida
2001 Gary Pederson, USDA/ARS, Georgia
2003 Becky Greenwald, Pioneer, Iowa
2004 Bill Tucker, Tucker Family Farms, Virginia
2005 Paul Peterson, University of Minnesota
2006 Ron Tombaugh, Illinois
2007 Dr. Gary Lacefield, Kentucky
2008 Dr. John Baylor, Pennsylvania
2008 Dr. Warren Thompson, Kentucky
2009 Russell Hackley, Clarkson, KY
2009 Carroll Charpentier, Houma, LA
2010 Dr. Byron Sleugh, Iowa
2011 Curtis J. Nelson, University of Missouri
2012 Kevin Ogles, USDA-NRCS
2013 Kentucky Forage and Grassland Council
2014 John Rodgers, Pennsylvania
2015 Geoff Brink, Wisconsin
2016 Clayton Gerald, Kentucky
2017 Mark Kennedy, Missouri
2018 Lynn Jaynes, Idaho
2019 Chris Penrose, Ohio
2020 Tina Bowling, Kentucky
2021 Robert Shoemaker, Virginia
2022 Gary Wilson, Ohio
2023 Mike Jones, North Carolina
2024 Peter Ballerstedt, OR
2025 Keith Johnson, IN
2026 Philip Brown, GA

Early Career Award

2019 Krista Lea, Kentucky
2020 Jesse Morrison, Mississippi
2021 Lisa Baxter, Georgia
2022 Christine Gelley, Ohio
2023 Deidre Harmon, NC
2024 Sam Ingram, Georgia
2025 Brandon Smith
2025 Brittany Davis, KY
2026 Katie Mason, TN
2026 David Jaramillo, WI