2020 Farming Heritage Award
Sponsored by West Virginia Farm Bureau and the State Fair of West Virginia

West Virginia Farm Bureau and the State Fair of West Virginia value all agriculture families who have played a role in our state’s food production and helped to make our rural economy thrive.

THE AWARD
The Farming Heritage Award will be presented to a family that has strived to maintain its rural lifestyle by contributing to the community, acting as role models, dedicating time to efficient agricultural production, and maintaining the upkeep of their farm.

ENTRY GUIDELINES
1. State Farm Bureau and State Fair of West Virginia board members, employees, management, and immediate families are not eligible.
2. Applicants must be a resident of the state of West Virginia.
3. Applicants are not required to be members of the West Virginia Farm Bureau.
5. Winners will be notified by July 27th. Award ceremonies will be on August 20th during the 2020 State Fair. Winners will be: honored at a special luncheon reception where they will receive their “West Virginia Farming Heritage Award;” treated to a day at the Fair including overnight accommodations, free admission and preferred parking; and receive a Natural Stone sign for indoor or outdoor display (winner is responsible for transport of award).
6. All winners will be asked to submit an 8” x 10” photograph of the family, as well as any other photos for display at the State Fair of West Virginia. The photo will need to be sent to the fairgrounds by July 1st, 2020.
7. If additional space is needed, please attach an 8 ½” x 11” typewritten or legibly written page.
8. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED or EMAILED BY Monday, June 22, 2020.
9. This application will be scored on the following criteria
   a. WV Family Farm with at least 3 generations 20 points
   b. Community involvement and memberships 10 points
   c. Farming related occupations 5 points
   d. Overall farming operation 30 points
   e. Farm history 15 points
   f. Upgrades to farm 15 points
   g. Other materials 5 points

If you have any questions, please contact Tabby Kuckuck @304-844-1657 or email tabbyk@wvfarm.org or call Kelly Collins @304-645-1090 or email kellyt@statefairofwv.com.

ENTRY INFORMATION
This application may be completed by 1) the applicant or 2) someone nominating a deserving family.

Name of Family applying/nominated________________________________________________________

Address/City___________________________________________________________, WV Zip________________

County_______________________ Phone_________________ Email____________________________________

Please list the names and ages of each member of the applicant farming family:

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How many generations of this family have been involved with farming?_______________________

Who is the patriarch/matriarch of the family?_________________________________________________
How many acres are farmed?____________ What is the primary operation/product?____________________________

1. List community/civic activities in which family members are involved and leadership positions held:
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2. List memberships held by family members with agriculture related associations:
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3. List farming-related occupations of family members: ____________________________
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4. Is this an active farm? Yes ____ No____ If so, please explain the overall operation of the farm:
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5. Please provide a brief history of the farm: ____________________________
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6. Describe any upgrades that have been done on the farm: ____________________________
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7. Attach a brief description of what a farming lifestyle means to this family.

8. Please attach any supporting information (newspaper or magazine articles, pictures, etc.)

ENTRY VERIFICATION
Please verify by your signature that all of the information included in this entry, to the best of your knowledge, is true and applies to the applicant’s farming involvement.

Signature__________________________________________ Date____________________
IF SELECTED...
Who should be contacted about the award results? ☐ applicant or ☐ person who nominated by (indicate below)

Phone #_______________________ or fax #_______________________ or email __________________________

Name of local/regional newspaper to be contacted with information concerning the award winner? ________________

This application must be postmarked or emailed by Monday, June 22, 2020.
Send to: West Virginia Farm Bureau, Farming Heritage Award, 62 Farm Bureau Rd, Buckhannon, WV 26201 or email to tabbyk@wvfarm.org.