



## ANNUAL AWARDS HISTORY

### 2023 Award Winners

**Cattleman of the Year:** Jack Johnson | Lodi, Wisconsin

**Environmental Stewardship Award:** Riechers Beef | Darlington, Wisconsin

**Beef Quality Assurance:** Josh and Gretchen Kamps | Belmont, WI

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Jeff Swenson | Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

**Meritorious Award:** Eric Johnson | Lodi, Wisconsin

### 2022 Award Winners

**Cattleman of the Year:** Steve Springer | Linden, Wisconsin

**Environmental Stewardship Award:** University of Wisconsin-Platteville Pioneer Farm | Platteville, Wisconsin

**Beef Quality Assurance:** Jim and Roxanne Lund | Woodville, Wisconsin

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Craig and Vickie Dunnum | Westby, Wisconsin

### 2021 Award Winners

**Cattleman of the Year:** Eric Johnson – Johnson Valley Shorthorns | Lodi, Wisconsin

**Environmental Stewardship Award:** Jerry Huth & Josh Scharf | Oakfield, Wisconsin

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Mary C. Anderson | Wisconsin DNR

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Kurt Hallstrand – Hallstrand Angus | Ogema, Wisconsin

### 2020 Award Winners

**Cattlemen of the Year:** The Quam Family, Marda Angus | Lodi, Wisconsin

**BQA Producer of the Year:** J. Scott Hoffman, J&S Angus | Soldiers Grove, Wisconsin

**Environmental Stewardship Award:** Arndt Farms | Janesville, Wisconsin

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Bill Halfman | Monroe County UW-Extension Educator

**Young Producers Scholarship:** Paige Gaffney | Barneveld, Wisconsin

**Meritorious Service:** Jena Swanson | Outgoing WCA Past President

### 2019 Award Winners

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Reid Ludlow | Rush Creek Ranch

**BQA Producer of the Year:** Dave Eron | Eron Beef, LLC

**Environmental Stewardship Award:** Fred Larson | Larson Hereford Farm

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Dave DeLong

**Young Producers Scholarship:** Aaron Rathke

**Meritorious Service:** Dave and Rena Koenig | WCA Steak Trailer Managers

**Meritorious Service:** John Freitag | Wisconsin Beef Council Executive Director

## **2018 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** BJ Jones | Wild Cattle Company

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Matt Breneman | Breneman Farms

**Young Producers Scholarship:** Annah Dobson

## **2017 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Bob Mitchell | Spring Creeks Cattle Company

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Ben Brancel

## **2016 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** J. Scott Hoffman | J&S Angus

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Keith York

**Meritorious Service:** Wayne Galarowicz

**Meritorious Service:** Martha Olson

## **2015 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Scott Gaffney | Gaffney Family Cattle

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Jack Johnson

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Conrad Kvamme

**Lifetime Achievement:** Deane and Nancy Thomas

## **2014 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Dennis Patterson | Patterson Brothers Simmies

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Dan Schaefer

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Janelle Thomas

## **2013 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Brian McCulloh | Woodhill Angus

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Bob Mathrie

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Steve Van Lannen

**Lifetime Achievement Award:** Dr. Bob Walton

## **2012 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Bob Kesler

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Janice Schyvinck | Equity Co-op

**Special Dedication:** Frank Hlavac

## **2011 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Hank Handzel

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Jim Thormodson

**Communicator of the Year:** Pam Jahnke

## **2010 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Mark Riechers

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Quality Liquid Feeds

**Communicator of the Year:** Janelle Thomas

## **2009 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Jerry Huth | Huth Herefords

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Keith Alft

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Glenn Erickson

**Communicator of the Year:** Bob Bosold

## **2008 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Ken Risler

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Phil Wyse

**Communicator of the Year:** Orion Samuelson

## **2007 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Dr. Bill Hillman

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** A & G Accounting

**Meritorious Service:** Dave and Rena Koening

**Meritorious Service:** Kevin Nysse

## **2006 Award Winners**

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Eric Koehns

## **2005 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Joyce Eggleston

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** Jim Murray

**Communicator of the Year:** Dr. Jeff Lehmkuhler

## **2004 Award Winners**

**Cattlemen of the Year:** Dr. Bob Walton

**Friend of the Cattlemen:** John Freitag