

NASS Hall of Fame Nomination Information and Form

PURPOSE

The National Agricultural Statistics Service is one of the most important and recognized organizations producing statistics on agriculture. Our strong reputation is due to our credibility and long standing record of producing timely, useful, and accurate agricultural data in service to U.S. agriculture.

There are individuals who have led important agency efforts that have improved the information collected and the service provided by the agency. The intent of the NASS Hall of Fame Awards Program is to recognize the contributions of those individuals whose accomplishments transcend time. The individuals so recognized have exemplified traits of integrity, honesty, innovation and positive impact on NASS (organization, culture, stakeholder relations, research and/or statistical processes) and commitment to public service.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominations may be made of individuals who were employed by NASS during their career and have been retired from federal service for five years or more. Individuals who are deceased may be nominated and recognized posthumously. Team nominations will not be accepted. More than one nominee may be selected in any given year if merited.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Nominations may be based on any of the following criteria:

- **Outstanding Science** – original science discovery and contributions reflecting high levels of creativity and innovation.
- **Impact on Agricultural Statistics** – developing a solution to a significant agricultural information problem.
- **Recognition to NASS** – achievements that have brought major recognition and credibility to NASS and/or USDA.
- **National and/or International Recognition** – by his/her peers in the statistical or agricultural community, including external award recognition.
- **Exemplary professional service** – rendered as an employee of the agency.

The nomination may also address:

Continued Professional Service – post retirement professional activities including serving as a role model or mentor in the statistical or agricultural community

NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES

A nomination may be made by a current NASS employee, a previous NASS employee, or another interested individual. Nominations must be sent to the Office of the Administrator of NASS via e-mail: HQOA@nass.usda.gov

Nominations must fully support the accomplishments, achievements, and impact of the individual. Nominations are due by **September 16, 2016**. The nomination form is attached.

The Administrator may appoint a diverse committee of individuals to assist in the evaluation of the nominations and to make recommendations. The expectation is that there will be some continuity in membership of the selection committee from year to year. Final committee selections are made by the Administrator and can include representatives from the:

- USDA Office of the Secretary
- USDA Agency Office of the Administrator
- NASS Senior Executives
- Statistical Community
- NASS Hall of Fame
- Agricultural Sector
- NASS Senior Executive or Manager Retiree Community

NATURE OF RECOGNITION

Each winner will be presented a plaque commemorating the award and an event will be held in their honor. An additional plaque will be added to the NASS Agricultural Statistics Board display area in the USDA South Building in Washington, D.C.

JUSTIFICATION

The justification should include a citation, a biographical sketch, and a description of the individual's accomplishments. The nomination is limited to no more than two pages, 12 point font, standard spacing and one-inch margins.

PAST NASS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Link: https://www.nass.usda.gov/About_NASS/Hall_of_Fame/

2014 Inaugural Hall of Fame

Bruce M. Graham
Sterling R. (Bert) Newell
Cary Palmer
Glenn D. Simpson
Harry C. Trelogan

2015 Inaugural Hall of Fame

Charles E. Caudill

NASS HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Information

Full Name _____

Nick Name _____

Address _____

Address1 _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

NASS Retirement/Departure Year _____

Nominator Information

Name _____

Address _____

Address1 _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Best method to contact you _____

Nomination Information

Citation, biographical sketch, and description of accomplishments should be no longer than two pages. Attachments to illustrate the accomplishments are welcome and encouraged.

Short citation. Summarize accomplishments in about 2-4 sentences.

Biographical Sketch

Description of the individual's accomplishments (not more than 2 pages). This is the primary information used to evaluate the nominee. Please refer to the selection criteria to help focus your nomination.