



# IOWA FARM

ENVIRONMENTAL LEADER AWARDS

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023  
10:30 A.M.

# WELCOME

The Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Awards recognize the exemplary, voluntary actions of farmers that improve or protect the environment and our state's natural resources. The awards are presented by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Agriculture and the Department of Natural Resources Director.

As true stewards of the land, these awardees recognize that improved water quality and soil sustainability have benefits that extend beyond their fields. Today's recipients have made environmental stewardship a priority by utilizing conservation practices that prevent soil erosion and improve water quality. These individuals are leading by example and encouraging other farmers to follow in their footsteps.

Congratulations to today's Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Award recipients! We appreciate your leadership role in Iowa's conservation efforts.



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF  
**AGRICULTURE &  
LAND STEWARDSHIP**



# AWARD PROGRAM

## MASTER OF CEREMONIES

**Grant Menke**

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture

## OPENING REMARKS AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**Kim Reynolds**

Governor

**Adam Gregg**

Lieutenant Governor

**Mike Naig**

Secretary of Agriculture

**Kayla Lyon**

Director, Department of Natural Resources

# AWARDEES

**Craig & Nancy Anderson**  
Plymouth County

**Daniel & Lisa Berns**  
Clayton County

**Bice Family Farm**  
Boone County

**Buhr Family Farms LLC**  
Benton County

**Roger Bumann**  
Ida County

**Cook Family Farm**  
Black Hawk County

**Rusty & Karen Corderman**  
Sac County

**Perry & Stacy Corey**  
Calhoun County

**Kendall & Maureen Curtis  
Chad, Kristie & Kyler  
Curtis**  
Howard County

**Downs Family Farm**  
Madison County

**Scott Eichelberger Family**  
Muscatine County

**Troy & Jeanne Elbert**  
Pocahontas County

**Ryan & Kristy Gibbs Family**  
Delaware County

**Joshua Henik**  
Linn County

**Mitchell & Brian Hora**  
Washington County

**John Kielkopf & Ron Kielkopf**  
Keokuk County

**Steve Killpack**  
Harrison County

**John & Ione Koster**  
Carroll County

**Krogmeier Dairy &  
Hinterland Dairy**  
Lee County

**Buffalo Grove Farms**  
Boone County

**Millard Land Corp. -  
Darrell Millard**  
Buena Vista County

**TYNIE Enterprises - Tyler,  
Annie, Tripp, Sawyer &  
Walker Millard**  
Buena Vista County

**BarLee Farms, Ltd.  
Miller Time Farms, Inc.**  
Black Hawk County

**KA Miller Farm - Kris &  
Michele Miller**  
Wapello County

**Mike Paustian**  
Scott County

**Valley View Farms, Inc. -  
Randy, Josh & Jake Pedersen**  
Cedar County

**Peters Farm**  
Pocahontas County

**Dan & Lori Ryner - Ryner  
Farms, Gillespie Family  
Farms**  
Madison County

**Sampson Family Farm**  
Story County

**Jon Sampson Farm**  
Humboldt County

**Searle, Inc. - Leland H. Searle  
& Matthew L. Searle**  
Marshall County

**Curt Sindergard**  
Pocahontas County

**Jarrett Smith**  
Clay County

**Zack Smith**  
Winnebago County

**Todd & Angie Thilges**  
Kossuth County

**Jasen & Jen Tiefenthaler**  
Sac County

**Ryan & Tarin Tiefenthaler**  
Carroll County

**Vos Family Farm - Ron &  
Nancy Vos**  
Sioux County

**Hal R. Youngkin & Lu Anne  
Youngkin**  
Shelby County

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