



# Texas A&M AgriLife

## Distinguished Texan in Agriculture Award Recipients

- 1993 **Mr. John B. Armstrong**, Former Corporate Director, King Ranch, Inc.
- 1994 **Mr. Dolph Briscoe, Jr.**, Former Texas Governor
- 1995 **Mr. L. Don Anderson**, Distinguished Cotton Leader
- 1996 **Senator William “Bill” Sims**, Former Executive Director, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association
- 1997 **Mrs. Mary Nan West**, Rancher and avid agricultural leader and supporter  
**Mr. Paul F. Engler**, Co-Founder and CEO of Cactus Feeders Inc.
- 1998 **Mr. J.D. Sartwelle, Sr.**, Leader in Cattle Marketing Industry/Chairman, Port City Stockyards, Inc.  
**Mr. S.M. True, Jr.**, Former President, Texas Farm Bureau
- 1999 **Mr. Lonnie A. “Bo” Pilgrim**, Senior Chairman of the Board, Pilgrim’s Pride Corporation
- 2000 **No Award**
- 2001 **Congressman Kika de la Garza**, Former Member, U.S. House of Representatives
- 2002 **No Award**
- 2003 **Wayne A. Showers**, Former Member of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents and South Texas agricultural business leader
- 2004 **No Award**
- 2005 **Mr. Tobin Armstrong** [posthumous], Texas Cattleman and agricultural leader
- 2006 **Mr. Howard Kruse**, Blue Bell Creameries  
**Mr. Ed. F. Kruse**, Blue Bell Creameries  
**Congressman Charlie Stenholm**, Former Member, U.S. House of Representatives
- 2007 **William (Bill) T. Lovelady**, Cotton Producer  
**Richard McDonald**, Texas Cattle Feeders Association
- 2008 **Mr. Kenneth E. Horton**, Texas Pork Producers Association  
**Mr. Bob Stallman**, American Farm Bureau Federation
- 2009 **Dr. Norman E. Borlaug** [posthumous], Norman E. Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture/Nobel Peace Prize Winner



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- 2010 Representative David A. Swinford**, Former Texas House of Representatives and Agribusiness Operator
- 2011 Mr. Ross Wilson**, Texas Cattle Feeders Association
- 2012 Mr. Jerry Harris**, King-Mesa, Inc./Agricultural Leader/Businessman/Civic Leader  
**Mr. E.M. “Manny” Rosenthal** [posthumous], Standard Meat Company, agricultural leader, AFS Distinguished Alumnus of which Rosenthal Meat Science Center was named.  
**Representative Bob Turner**, Former Member, Texas House of Representatives