



2016 Honoree Tim Bailey

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2016 Ohio AgriBusiness Association Educational Trust Honoree



Tim Bailey

Today's honoree Tim Bailey was born and raised in Lima, Ohio, one of 12 children of Wilbur and Carolyn Bailey. He married his wife, Kathy in 1973 while attending The Ohio State University. Tim originally intended to pursue a degree in forestry, but graduated in 1975 with a degree in turfgrass management. During his time in school and shortly after, Tim worked as a greenskeeper in Columbus, until discovering he was allergic to, of all things, timothy grass.

After school, Tim joined the crops division of the Indiana Farm Bureau Cooperative Association, starting in a newly created position. A previously reserved and lifeless group, Tim brought new life to the division. In his position, Tim provided direction as the crops division became more sales oriented. He helped local cooperatives become more professional as they were seeking products and services the Indiana Farm Bureau didn't have at the time.

Tim and his family moved around quite often, living in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana, matching his variety of work experiences. Tim spent time at the Ohio Farm Bureau, Lima Ford Engine plant and more.

Eventually Tim landed at A&L Great Lakes Laboratories working as an agronomist. His primary responsibility was to develop and maintain business relationships within the industry. Tim's prior agriculture presence along with his warm and open personality enabled him to be a major contributor to company growth.

His enjoyment of the agronomy work at A&L and deep interest in the science of agriculture led Tim to pursue a master's degree in agronomy, which he completed just before he turned 60. He has a passion for teaching and communicating agronomic principles to those around him.

“If something needed to be done, Tim was always there to offer a helping hand.”

-Chris Henney

Having lived in multiple states, Tim worked with many state agribusiness associations. Always a dependable figure if something needed finished, Tim provided invaluable experience to the Ohio AgriBusiness Association. He was a member of the Crop Production Conference Committee and the Educational Trust Golf Committee, and served time as the chair of both.

Tim's colleagues remark to his friendly nature, always willing to talk to a stranger. In his spare time, Tim can be found on the golf course. Today, he participates in local golf leagues, but he also served as an assistant coach while his children were in school. Tim and his wife Kathy have been married for 43 years and have two sons.

The Ohio AgriBusiness Association is pleased to recognize Tim Bailey as the 2016 OABA Educational Trust Honoree.