

NEWSMAKERS

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Within this “Newsmakers” column we share important news and accomplishments of our members, including state association activities, birth and marriage announcements, and news of Angus members’ passing.

In Passing



Joseph “Glenn” Copeland, 84, died on Feb. 28.

Glenn was married to Shirley Hall for 49 years, until her death in 2006.

Copeland was born Aug. 13, 1935, in Proton Township and spent his childhood in Dundalk, Ont., on his family’s farm. Copeland had five siblings: Joyce Clarke, Russell, Brian, Brenda Jack, and the late Stuart.

When he was 10 years old, Glenn was introduced to the Angus breed. Glenn was then devoted to the breed for the rest of his life.

As a young adult, Glenn filled positions such as assistant herd manager, herd manager and farm manager at various ranches. Glenn purchased his first Angus female at the dispersal sale at Glen Robbie Farm. Glenn grew his herd from the female and began selling his bull calves and keeping heifers as replacements.

Thomas, Lisa and the late Timothy, Glenn’s three children, were involved in the 4-H association, and their careers in the Angus industry drew Glenn to many junior heifer shows and activities.

Glenn had many accomplishments with the Angus breed, from helping to host the Ontario Angus Association annual sale to serving as

president of both the Ontario and Canadian Angus Associations.

Before retirement, Glenn worked with Dodswood Farm in Alton, Ont., for 14 years. During this time, he helped create a meaningful EPD (expected progeny differences) program at the Canadian level by working with the American Angus Association’s registration and performance program.

Throughout his time in the Angus industry, Glenn gained many mentors. Some of his favorite lessons from these individuals were ones that he himself passed on to others. From the importance of planning to the importance of giving back to others, Glenn had many words of wisdom for other Angus breeders.

Glenn valued progress in the Angus breed and continued to work in consulting and marketing for Ontario breeders throughout his retirement.

Glenn is survived by two children, Thomas and Lisa, and six grandchildren.

Martha “Karen” (Gilliam) Jones, 76, Springfield, Mo., died March 17.



She was born on May 31, 1943, at Christa Hogan Hospital in West Plains, Mo., to Ted and Jeanette (Boss) Gilliam.

Karen grew up on the family dairy farm in Peace Valley, Mo., with siblings John, Rita, Mick and Dennis. She graduated from West Plains High School in 1960. After high school, Karen went to work for the City of Springfield, but her tenure there was short-lived when they realized that she was not yet 18 years old, having graduated high school when she was only 16. Shortly afterwards, Karen began working in Winona, Mo., for the United States Forest Service as a Secretary and Dispatcher, where she worked for eight years.

While in Winona, Karen met the love of her life Roy Nelson Jones and married him on Christmas Day, 1964 at St. Joseph Church in White Church. At the time of her death, Karen and Roy had been happily married for over 55 years. Karen and Roy were blessed with two daughters: Jacquelyn Ann and Janet Alane.

In 1965 while living in Winona, Karen and Roy started a registered Angus herd, “Jones & Gilliam Angus” with Karen’s parents. In 2015 Jones & Gilliam Angus celebrated 50 years of operation by being honored with the Historic Angus Herd Award from the American Angus Association. They received the Pioneer Award from the Missouri Angus Association, the inaugural Pinnacle Award from the Heart of the Ozarks Angus Association and a resolution from Senator Mike Cunningham on behalf

of the 98th General Assembly of the Missouri Senate recognizing and congratulating Karen and Roy on this momentous accomplishment.

At the time of her death, Karen and Roy had gifted more than 30 heifers to young Angus breeders. During her life, Karen was an active member of the Missouri and Heart of the Ozarks Angus Associations, holding many offices in both, including serving as the first woman president of the Missouri Angus Association in 2004-2005.

She was elected nine times as a Missouri delegate to the American Angus Association annual meeting.

Karen always appreciated and loved her Angus friends.

From 1970 to 1976, Karen worked alongside Roy in the Bank of Bunker in Bunker, Mo., and the Dent County Bank in Salem, Mo., as operations officer. After moving to Gainesville, Mo., in 1976, Karen retired from the banking business. She became primary caregiver of their cattle and the artificial insemination (AI) technician for their herd.

She was also a substitute school bus driver and rural route mail carrier. Karen served as an election judge for many years and she, along with Roy, was honored for 25 years

of service to the Ozark County Republican Committee.

Karen was an active member of Saint William's Catholic Church in Gainesville, Mo., throughout much of her life.

Karen is survived by husband, Roy; daughter Jackie; sister, Rita; brother, Mick (Donna); sister-in-law, Karen; Karen and Roy's "kids and grandkids" Mark and Tina Henry and their three children, and many other family and friends.

2020 Illinois Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Feb. 21, Springfield



Dameron Angus Farm, Lexington, won the Grand Champion Female award. Pictured (from left) are Jack, Jeff and Max Dameron.



Double Diamond Angus, Chrisman, won the Grand Champion Futurity Bull award. Pictured (from left) are Scott and Cindy Anderson.



Kayla Anderson, Chrisman (left), was presented with the Illinois Junior Angus Association Appreciation Award. Pictured presenting the award is Emily Brooks, 2020 Miss Illinois Angus (right).



Joel York, York Farms, Palestine, won the Champion Produce of Dam award.



Honored as junior advisors (from left) are Kayla Anderson; Treavor Taylor, Colfax; and Trever Kuipers, Le Roy.



Trever Kuipers, (right) was presented with its Retiring President award. Presenting is current president Tyler Rhode (left).

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The Bret Parr family, Mason City, was presented with the Stan Prox Memorial Award. Pictured (from left) are Bret and Eli Parr; Linda Prox, presenting; and Charlie, Anna and Kirsten Parr.



Parr Cattle Co., Mason City, received the J. Garrett Tolan Get-of-Sire award. Pictured (from left) are Anna, Bret, Eli and Charlie Parr.



The Alan Miller family, Gridley, was presented with the Family of the Year award. Pictured (from left) are Amelia, Alan, Theresa, Will and Adam Miller; and Emily Brooks, 2020 Miss Illinois Angus, presenting.

Southeastern Indiana Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Feb. 27, Hagerstown



Board members elected are (from left) Phil Howell; Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates, president; and Jeff Innis, vice president. Not pictured is Jamie Lowes, secretary-treasurer.

Georgia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting and Banquet, March 7, Talmo



James Gresham, Circle G Angus Farms, Adel, was inducted into the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame. Pictured (from left) are Frances Gresham; James Gresham, inductee; and Tony Gresham.



Mark Hart, Royston, was honored posthumously as the Commercial Cattleman of the Year. Pictured (from left) are Mark's family accepting the award: Jud Scott, Brian Hart, Kimber Hart, Tammy Hart, Levi Hart, Colt Hart, Jolee Hart, Briar Hart, LeAnne Hart, holding Laila Hart, and Sage Hart.



Elected to serve on the Georgia Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated from left) Smitty Lamb, Tifton; Cole Elrod, Talmo, vice president; Todd Alford, Bowman, Ga., president; Katie Duvall, Buckhead, executive secretary; and Carolyn Gazda, Athens. Directors (back row, from left) are Clay Williams; Michael Cronin, Braselton; Francis Fluharty, Watkinsville; Andrew McPeake, Arnoldsville; Adam Verner, Smithville; Wilkes Barnett, Washington; and Mike McCravy, Bowdon.



Clay Williams, Bishop, was recognized as a past Georgia Angus Junior Ass'n advisor.



Andrew McPeake received a past president recognition plaque.

Kentucky Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting and Banquet, March 6, Louisville



Elected to serve on the Kentucky Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated front row, from left) Colby Myers, Harrodsburg; Anne Patton Schubert; Henry Smith, vice president; Jason Crowe, Irvine, president; Anne Stewart DeMott, Lexington, secretary-treasurer; Gil Cowles, Rockfield, past president; Blake Boyd, May's Lick; and Wesley Womack. Directors pictured (back row, from left) are Keith Johnson, Slaughters; Tom McGinnis, Shelbyville; Sam Fouts, London; Jim Shaw, Hodgenville; Kris Lynn, Springfield; Kelly Flanders, Buffalo; and Bob Clark, Harrodsburg.



Henry Smith, Russell Springs, received an Appreciation Award for his service to the Kentucky Angus Ass'n board of directors.

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Anne Patton Schubert, Taylorsville (left), received an Appreciation Award for her support and dedication to the Kentucky Junior Angus Ass'n. Also pictured is Jacob Marksbury, presenting.



Wesley Womack, Pembroke (center), received the Herdsman of the Year award. Pictured presenting the award are Anne Patton Schubert (left), and Kris Lynn (right).



Tim and Amy White, Nicholasville, received the Performance Breeder of the Year award. Pictured (from left) are Emily Caffee, presenting; and Amy White and Rod White.



Hughes Flippin Farms Inc., Tompkinsville, received the American Angus Association's Historic Herd Award. Pictured (from left) are Chris Hughes; JoAnn and Billy Hughes; Adam and Laura Jenkins; Mitchell Jenkins; and Alex Tolbert, American Angus Association regional manager, presenting the award.



Keith and Diana Jeffries, Canmer, received the Joe William Meng Jr. (Joe Bill), Lifetime Achievement award. Pictured (from left) are Jim Shaw and Emily Caffee, Kentucky Angus princess, presenting; and Diana and Keith Jeffries, recipients.



Charles "Bud" Smith, Russell Springs, received the Distinguished Service Award. Pictured (from left) are Henry Smith, Blane Smith, Bryanna Smith, Bud Smith, recipient; Keith Jeffries, presenting; Pam Smith and Melissa Smith.



The Dennis and Emily Gibson family, Twin Creek Angus, Bradfordsville, received the Family of the Year award. Pictured (from left) are Melissa Gibson; Emily Caffee, Kentucky Angus princess, presenting; Dylan Gibson, Dennis and Emily Gibson; James Coffey, presenting; and Shawn Gibson and Devin Gibson.