

HONOREES INDUCTED

Two couples inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation for their dedication to providing youth opportunities.

by Sarah Hill, special projects editor

The National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) recently recognized Paul and Lynn Hill, Champion Hill Angus, Bidwell, Ohio, and the late Terry and Pam Bailey, High Roller Angus, Center, Texas, as inductees into the Honorary Angus Foundation at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Des Moines, Iowa.

The National Junior Angus Board (NJAB) established the Honorary Angus Foundation in 1985 to recognize and thank those who have shown incredible support of Angus youth. Seven Angus breeders were honored as inductees the first year, and each year thereafter the NJAA has honored up to three individuals.

Ohio honorees

Paul is a former chairman of the Angus Foundation Board of Directors, a role he served in for four years. In addition, he was very active in raising money for the junior program and other fundraising efforts. Hill was one of the driving forces behind hiring Angus Foundation President Milford Jenkins,

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and he spearheaded the \$11 million *Vision of Value: Campaign for Angus*.

“As a stalwart advocate of the Angus Foundation over the years, Paul has played a crucial role in its recent growth and development,” says Jenkins. “In addition to being a major promoter of the *Vision of Value: Campaign for Angus*, Paul and Lynn have financially supported the effort personally. Paul has helped secure financial support from numerous other Angus

breeders, corporations and friends for our education, youth and research activities.

“The lives of countless Angus youth will forever be enriched, either directly or indirectly, as a result of Paul’s enthusiasm, passion and hard work on their behalf in tirelessly championing the need for funds for scholarships, leadership training and opportunities for them to grow and mature to lead our Angus breed, communities and country tomorrow.”

Paul began his career as a herdsman for Briarhill Angus Farms in Union Springs, Ala., in 1971. Briarhill dispersed 10 years later, and Paul served as a herdsman for herds in Connecticut, South Carolina and Virginia.

In 1990, Paul became herdsman for Marshall Reynolds. The two became business partners in 1993, founding Champion Hill Angus. The herd, which included 200 donor cows and 900 recipients, had a year-round breeding program to maximize the use of recipients and supply the demand for show heifers.

After many successful years in the Angus business, Paul and Lynn retired in February 2017 to spend more time with their family, dispersing the Champion Hill herd. According to the American Angus Hall of Fame, the Hills’ sale, which sold 850 cattle, set a world record.

The Hills’ two daughters, Sarah and Neenah, have been active lifelong members. Sarah served as 1992 Miss American Angus and served on the NJAB in 1993-1994.

Texas honorees

The Baileys were still fairly new to the Angus business, but had already started making a difference through their support for the Angus Foundation’s youth, education and research efforts.

“Terry and Pam were interested in helping the Angus Foundation from the start,” says Jenkins. “We were honored that they chose to give to the Angus Foundation, and they will be missed.”

Tragically, Terry and Pam were lost in an accident on Feb. 15, 2017.

The Baileys founded High Roller Angus



► Paul and Lynn Hill, Champion Hill Angus, Bidwell, Ohio, were inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation. Pictured are (from left) John Grimes, Angus Foundation chairman; Braden Henricks, National Junior Angus Board Foundation chairman, presenting; Paul and Lynn Hill, recipients; Mark Duffel, Angus Foundation Board outside representative; and Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president.



with operating partner James Butler. Terry always told his children, Dustin Bailey and Carmen Mackey, that he wanted to leave a legacy asset for them and his grandchildren. The Angus business provided potential for unlimited growth. Terry and Butler invested millions in Angus cattle while acquiring thousands of acres in East Texas with goals to grow one of the largest and most genetically elite Angus herds in the United States.

Butler and the Bailey families will continue Terry and Pam's legacy of building for the future through their progressive High Roller Angus herd.

Any member of the American Angus Association is eligible to nominate individuals or organizations for the Honorary Angus Foundation. A complete list of members can be found online.



► **Terry and Pam Bailey**, High Roller Angus, Center, Texas, were posthumously inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation. Pictured are (from left) Grimes; Henricks, presenting; James Butler, the Baileys' partner; Dustin Bailey, their son; Ryan Mackey, their son-in-law; and Jenkins.