

Local Livestock And Grain Producer Family Honored At USDA Millennium Celebration

WASHINGTON, May 30, 2000 -- On May 10, the Grimes family, local livestock and grain producers, received national recognition for over 60 years of accomplishments and contributions to the farming industry. The award ceremony "Celebrating the American Family Farm" was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) as part of the USDA's Millennium event series, which are exploring American agriculture in the 21st century. The event was held in Kansas City, Mo.

Upon presenting the award, James R. Baker, administrator of GIPSA, said, "The Grimes family has a long tradition in Missouri history of contributing to this country and to American agriculture. We thank them for more than 60 years of service, commitment, and dedication."

At the ceremony, USDA recognized farming in America and honored century farmers and farm families who have made significant contributions to the farming industry in America during the past 100 years.

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