

**Meritorious Service Award
To Farmers Union and to American Agriculture
Recipients**

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|------|--|------|---|------|--|
| 2018 | Mathew J. Birgen Janet Nelson | 1995 | Sherry Parker Leach | 1978 | Milton S. Holtan Douglas T. Simpson |
| 2017 | Merle Anderson Cheryl Cook Kent Pepler | 1994 | Reuben Johnson Boyd Munns | 1978 | Jesse S. Tuttle |
| 2016 | Brother David Andrews* Claudia Svarstad | 1994 | Virgil Thompson | 1976 | E.W. Smith |
| 2015 | Clay Pederson* | 1993 | Jack Bill Kelsey Gary Lamb | 1975 | Chester A. Grahm |
| 2014 | Stan Brown Don Davis Dallas Tonsager | 1992 | Victor Ray Paul Huff Dwyte Wilson Neil Oxton | 1974 | Elton L. Berck |
| 2013 | Mel Borton Jim Frederickson | 1991 | Ken Motz Harold Dodd | 1972 | Ann Aragues Joseph W. Fichter Flossie Harris Nikkel |
| 2012 | Dr. Mary Hendrickson Odean Olson | 1990 | Joseph E. Larson | 1970 | Angus H. McDonald |
| 2011 | Wes Sims | 1989 | Quentin Burdick Stanley M. Moore | 1967 | J.J. Berg Family |
| 2010 | David J. Frederickson | 1988 | Harold Wright Ruth Kobell | 1966 | Esther Harbo Glenn J. Talbott |
| 2008 | U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson | 1988 | Darrell Moseson | 1963 | Harvey R. Solberg |
| 2007 | John Stencil | 1987 | Henri J. Holland | 1960 | James G. Patton |
| 2006 | Vernon Deines* Gaylord Olson | 1988 | Harold Wright Ruth Kobell | 1959 | Paul W. Opsahl K.W. Hones Homer Duffy D.W. Chapman |
| 2005 | Carl McIlvain | 1985 | James L. Grahl | 1957 | Gladys Talbott Edwards Lulu Thornbom Evanson Mildred K. Stoltz |
| 2003 | Leland Swenson | 1985 | Kenneth Holum | 1955 | John Veseky Dr. Marion F. Dickinson A.W. Ricker |
| 2001 | Charlie Nash Lee Reese | 1984 | George W. Stone Charles F. Brannan Raymond F. Novak | 1953 | Emil A. Syftestad |
| 1999 | Frank "Bud" Daniels | 1983 | Robert D. Partridge | 1952 | J.M. Graves |
| 1997 | Noel K. Estenson | 1982 | Jay Naman Ben Radcliffe | 1950 | C.E. Huff |
| 1996 | Willie Nelson | 1981 | J.G. Tvedt | 1948 | M.W. Thatcher |
| 1995 | Alan Ham Alfred Namejunas | 1980 | Tony D. Dechant | | |
| | | 1979 | Gilbert C. Rohde | | |

**posthumously*

**Meritorious Service Award
To Agriculture and to World Agriculture
Recipients**

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|------|-------------------------------|------|--|
| 2018 | Susan Carlson | 1968 | Ovid A. Martin |
| 2015 | Robert Carlson | 1967 | George McGovern |
| 2011 | Sen. Byron Dorgan | 1965 | Hubert Humphrey |
| 2010 | Dr. Daryll T. Ray | 1964 | Elizabeth B. Herring Averell Harriman |
| 2008 | Alan Bergman | 1963 | Homer Brinkley |
| 2006 | Dr. William Heffernan | 1962 | Orvill L. Freeman |
| 2003 | Paul Wellstone (posthumously) | 1960 | B.R. Sen |
| 1995 | Bob Bergland | 1958 | Harry S. Truman |
| 1991 | Jim Hightower | 1956 | Sir James Turner |
| 1990 | Glenn Flaten | 1954 | Norris E. Dodd |
| 1989 | Cy Carpenter | 1952 | Lord John Boyd Orr |
| 1987 | Milton D. Hakel | 1951 | Clyde Ellis |
| 1980 | Tony T. Dechant | 1950 | Charles F. Brannan |
| 1979 | Frank L. Goffio | 1949 | Mrs. Dora B. Haines |
| 1971 | Roger Savary | 1948 | Rt. Rev. Msgr. Luigi Ligutti |
| 1969 | Fred V. Heinkel | 1946 | Chester Bowles |
| 1968 | Frank Carlson | | |

**Meritorious Service Award
To Humanity
Recipients**

2012 Howard G. Buffett
2010 Robert Dole
2007 Robert G. Lewis
2005 Tom Daschle
2003 George McGovern
1992 Jimmy Carter
1986 James G. Patton