

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN: This award was established in 1965 to recognize a citizen of Marion County who has voluntarily and unselfishly served the community. The service has continued over many years and has contributed immeasurably to the positive image of Marion County and has been an inspiration to others. Through active civic involvement and fine example this individual has been a continuous beacon for community betterment. **Past Outstanding Citizen Award recipients are:** Theo Walker, C. E. Brents, W. C. McDuffee, Don Campbell, John F. Dearing, W. J. Crowder, J. T. Whitlock, Charles Goodin, Eddie Deep Sr., Fabian Buckman, G. H. Karnes, Rev. W. A. Clutts, Jesse Sims, Gene Spragens Jr., Dick Moraja, Mr. & Mrs. Horace Johnston, Monsignor Joseph D. Gettlefinger, Dr. Salem M. George, Steve Keith, Charles E. Lancaster, Mary Jane Shockency, Ed Marrett, Violet Brown, J. B. Thomas, Terry Ward, Keith George, Pat Blandford, B. J. Baute, Dr. Joe Green, Veronica Hill, Robert Clark, James Ray Allen, John G. Mattingly, Mary Cambron, Phyllis & Carter Wind, John O. Thomas, Paul Powell, Col. George Hoerter, Sidney Osbourne, Freddie Higdon, Kenny Marrett, Nadine Spragens, Robert C. Clements, Bro. Bud Owen, Melissa Knight, Jerry Reynolds, Ernie Brown, Jr., Lisa Nalley-Martin, Josh Ballard, Harry VanWhy, Terry Mills, Barbara May, George Spragens, Tom Lund, Jimmy Higdon, Jami Sandusky, Tammy Edlin.

OUTSTANDING FARMER: This award is presented to a recipient who owns, operates, or is active in the management of a Marion County farm with main income generated from farming. The family should reside on the farm and follow sound farming conservation practices and recommendations. **Past Outstanding Farmer Award recipients are:** J. C. Detherage, T. Ray Mattingly, Tip Whitehouse, Howard Lee, Monroe Reynolds, Gene Lanham, Joe Frank Browning, Phillip Lyvers, Patrick Spalding, Wayne Hollon, Bernard Luckett, Larry Elder, Joe Paul Mattingly, Joe Denny Raley, Joe H. Spalding, Mark O'Daniel, Bob Kirkland, Joseph S. Ford Jr. Lanham Farms Inc., Bobby Buckman and sons, George Hupman, Dan and Paula Mattingly, Paul Peterson, Peterson Farms, Gene Lanham, Kenny Peterson, Steve Downs, Darrell Essex, Wayne Costello, Tom & Marie Wright, Two Toms Game Bird Farm, Donald Veatch Family Farm, Joe Bernard Luckett, Thad & Kim Peterson, JW & Mike Maupin, Larry Jones, Bill & Susan Mattingly, Pat Hourigan, Michael Buckman, Timmy Jones, Mark & Debbie Mattingly, Randall & Connie Lawson. Jason Wade, Dennis-Emily Gibson and Shawn-Melissa Gibson, Kenn & Cindy Heismann, Scotty Smith, Tyler Mattingly.

OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR: In recognition of the importance of education in our community and the desire to publicly recognize educators employed within Marion County who have contributed in an outstanding manner to the education of Marion County students, the Chamber established this award in 1988. The nominee may be a teacher, administrator or staff person employed in the Marion County public or private school system. By this award, the Chamber desires to recognize the importance of quality education in our community and recognize in particular those individuals whose actions have enhanced education in either the primary, secondary, vocational or adult education area. **Past Outstanding Educator Award recipients are:** Joyce Payne, Virginia A. "Sugar" Hamilton, Lynn D. Farris, June Elliott, Katina Johnson, Jan Lanham, Anita Davis, Robert B. Benningfield, Suzi Smith, Deborah Spalding, Jayne Hogan, Dr. Bruce Daniels, Beverly "Sis" Roby, Joe Bradshaw, Sue Ann Glasscock, Angela Holt, Dan Lyvers, Pam Marks, Jane Mattingly, Mary "Mimi" Crum, Judy Gaddie, Coury Leathers Osbourne, Tammy Newton, Tammy Parman, Paula Walston, Jamie Brown, Tammy Newcome, Jane Spalding, Gail King, Laurie Followell, Danny Marks, Troy Benningfield, Danny Marks, Daniel Mattingly, Jill Thomas.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS PERSON: This award is presented to a recipient who owns, operates or is active in the management of a Marion County business and whose business and personal conduct is a credit to themselves, their company, their employees and their community. The candidate can come from any facet of business activity, must have been in business for a minimum of three years, and must currently be active in community affairs. **Past Outstanding Businessperson Award recipients are:** Theo Walker, Dennie Clark, Rob "Shot" Spalding, Warren McClellan, Eddie Deep Sr., Sam B. Spalding, T. E. Spragens Sr., Junior Rogers, Fabian Buckman, Jim Grundy, Ed Marrett, Bob Martin, W. W. "Bill" Durham, Larry Tatum, "Sonny" Pickerill, Wesley Daugherty, James R. Thomas, Robert E. Garrison, Gene Spragens Jr., Billy & Rita Higdon, Ed O'Daniel Sr., Ball Brothers, Jimmy Higdon, Bob Mattingly, John Boswell, Doris Purdom, Kenny Marrett, Monica and Michael Henning, Freddie Hilpp, Pat and Mahala Mattingly, John Turner, Mary Lou & Bill Leake, Charles Borders, Elmer George, Phyllis Troutman, Michael F. Howard, Gerry Rogers, Joseph H. Mattingly, III, Pat & Peggy Reed, Bill & Terry Mattingly, Bill Pickerill, Charles Lancaster Jr., Rick Goodin, Frank Southall, Barry Brady, Donnie Miles, Mary Lou Mayes, William P. Thompson, Steve Beam, Joe Browning.

OUTSTANDING FIRST RESPONDER: This award was created in 1988 as the Outstanding Emergency Services Personnel. All First Responders, both volunteer and paid, are eligible for the award. This includes emergency medical technicians, ambulance service personnel, firefighters, police officers, rescue squad personnel, and Disaster and Emergency Services. The recipient of the award should be someone who has not only performed well in his or her role in emergency services in Marion County, but someone who has made an example of him/herself due to his/her role in emergency services provided to the community. **Past Outstanding First Responder Award recipients are:** John Sheperon, Betty Wethington, Bennie Kessler, Ricky Mattingly, Scott Lawson, Carroll Kirkland, Aileen Flanagan, Robbie Turner, Paula Coyle, Nash Hayes, Chief George Harmansky, Marion County Rescue Squad, Billy Nally, Emergency Services of Marion County, Troy Hamilton, Mike Carrico, Karen Rogers, R.N., C.E.N., Haydon Johnson, Joe Strong, Corey Benedict and John Skaggs, Tony Hutchins, Marion County EMS.

MCIF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The Marion County Industrial Foundation will be presenting a Downtown Development Award.
Nominations will be accepted through February 6th, 2025.

NAME OF AWARD: MCIF Downtown Development Award

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Business _____ Home: _____

Explain why nominee is deserving of this award as it pertains to the criteria. Additional pages may be used if necessary. Supporting documents, if applicable, should be sent with the nomination form.

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Return nomination form to:
Marion County Industrial Foundation
223 North Spalding Ave Suite 300 Lebanon, KY 40033
270-692-6002
contact@marioncountky.com

CRITERIA FOR THE MCIF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The MCIF Downtown Development Award will be presented to a business that operates or is active in the management of a Downtown Lebanon business within the boundaries of Harrison Street to College Street and from Mulberry Street to Hood Ave. The business must show pride in the appearance of the business and be a major contributor to the vitality of the downtown area. The candidate can come from any facet of business activity and must currently be active in community affairs.