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| Honorary American FFA Degree |
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**1955 -** H. E. Urton, Pierre, SD—SD Supervisor of Agricultural Education

Ezra Gisselbeck, Watertown, SD—Father of National Officer, Lowell Gisselbeck

Harold White, Milbank Vo-Ag Instructor

**1956 -** W. R. Bryant, Canton Vo-Ag Instructor

**1958 -** Hilding W. Gadda, Madison Vo-Ag Instructor

Erland W. Gustafson, Clark Vo-Ag Instructor

**1965 -** Ernest Christensen, Webster Vo-Ag Instructor

**1968 -** Loren G. Kasten, Scotland Vo-Ag Instructor

**1969 -** Loren Fuller, Clark, SD

**1970 -** Clarence R. Hall, Watertown Vo-Ag Instructor

**1973 -** Francis N. Murphy, Madison, SD—NVATA President

Jerome E. Kleinsasser, Brookings Vo-Ag Instructor

**1975 -** Ernest Wingen, Hoven Vo-Ag Instructor

Warren G. Miller, Pierre, SD—SD Wheat Commission Wheat Director

**1976 -** William C. Buller, Brookings, SD

Donamaye Amdahl, Flandreau, SD—Mother of American Star Farmer, Timothy Henning Amdahl

Oliver D. Amdahl, Flandreau, SD—Father of American Star Farmer, Timothy Henning Amdahl

**1977 -** Leonard J. DeBoer, Chamberlain Vo-Ag Instructor

Frank Lingo, Sioux Falls, SD—John Morrell and Company

**1979 -** Arden Gronlund, Rapid City Vo-Ag Instructor

**1980 -** James Pollman, Dell Rapids Vo-Ag Instructor

Phillip Edmond Plummart, Brookings, SD—Associate Professor/Extension Poultry Specialist at SDSU

**1983 -** Dr. Clark Hanson, Brookings, SD

**1984 -** Robert Bell, Brookings, SD—SD FFA Executive Secretary

Myron Sonne, Mitchell, SD—Mitchell Vo-Tech Vo-Ag Instructor/NVATA President Elect

Jim Thoreson, Watertown, SD—KWAT Radio

Tom Steever, Sioux Falls, SD—KSOO Radio

Orlyn and Fern Nielson, Tulare, SD--Parents of Star Farmer of American, Larry Nielson

Jerome Nolz, Clear Lake Vo-Ag Instructor

**1985 -** Marvis Hogen, Pierre, SD—SD Secretary of Agriculture

Michael McNamara, Pierre, SD—SD Rural Development Center

**1986 -** Leland Swenson, Huron, SD—SD Farmers Union President

**1987 -** James R. Johnson, Rapid City, SD—Range Management Specialist for the SDSU Cooperative Extension Service

Howard H. Voelker, Brookings, SD—Professor of Dairy Science at SDSU

**1988 -** Robert Glanzer, Huron, SD—Farmers and Merchants Bank

Shriley Sres, Brookings, SD

**1989 -** J.D. Lynd, Huron, SD—SD Association of Cooperatives

Loren Catchpole, Lemmon, SD—Retired Ag Instructor

**1990 -** Roger Wehde, Dell Rapids Ag Instructor

**1991 -** Al Fenner, Menno, SD—Local Chapter Supporter

Ben Handcock, Pierre, SD—SD Wheat Commission

Bill Patterson, National Livestock and Meat Board

**1992 -** Bobby Muller, Bon Homme Ag Instructor

**1993 -** Ed Mueller, Pierre, SD—SD FFA Advisor

William Poppen, DeSmet, SD

**1994 -** None

**1995 -** Linda Rist, Viborg, SD

**1996 -** Todd Marks, Harrisburg Ag Instructor

**1997 -** Lonnell Moeller, Brookings, SD—Ag Ed Teacher Educator at SDSU

Neal and Linda McIntyre, Winfred, SD—Parents of Star American Farmer, Mike McIntyre

**1998 -** Terry Rieckman, McCook Central Ag Instructor

Charles Gregg, Salem, SD—Father of American Star in Agribusiness Finalist, K.C. Gregg

**1999 -** None

**2000 -** None

**2001-** Dan and Karen Streff, Salem, SD—Parents of American Star in Placement, Nick Streff

Jim Chilson, Florence Ag Instructor

**2002 -** Melvin and Lani Holzwarth, Gettysburg, SD-Parents of American Star in

Agriscience, Valeree Holzwarth

Norman and MaryRae Peterson, Salem, SD-Parents of American Star in Agri Placement, Scott Peterson.

**2003 -** Gary and Aileen Brunner, Newell, SD – Parents of American Star in Agriscience, Ryan Brunner

**2004 -** Sally Nielson, Former Ag Instructor

**2005** - Kent & Faye Frerichs parents of American Star in Argi Business Jason Frerichs

**2005** - Jerry and Barb Gottlob – parents of American Star Finalist Mike Gottlob

**2006** - Gary Grey, Pierre, SD - State Advisor, Former Agriculture Instructor

Mark & Susan Geib, DeSmet, SD – Parents of National FFA Secretary, Jessie Geib

**2007** - Jim Quick, Retiring Agriculture Education Instructor – Alcester

Walt Johnson, past agriculture education instructor, retired SD FFA Foundation Board President, and FFA Sponsor – Newell

Geri Ann Eide, State FFA Executive Secretary – Gettysburg

Mr. and Mrs. Kahnke, Florence Parents of Jon Kahnke American Star Ag Science   
 Finalist

**2008** - None

**2009** -Richard Lubinus, Ag Education Instructor – Platte (posthumously)

Gretchen Sharp, Ex. Treasurer SD FFA, Bath  
 Tim Nichols, SDSU - Brookings

**2010** -Brad Bies serves with the Office of Curriculum, Career and Technical Education in Pierre.

Craig Dybedahl currently resides in Colton and works with Pfizer Animal Health.

Chris Nelson is currently the Secretary of State in Pierre.

Sandra Nelson, Pierre, is the spouse of the former FFA Supervisor and is described as an “avid FFA supporter.”

Larry Nelson, Pierre, is receiving a VIP Citation for his years of service as the South Dakota FFA State Supervisor.

Mike Brink, Ag Ed advisor for the Hitchcock-Tulare FFA Chapter   
Ken and Kathy Zulk, Canova Parents of Kyle Zulk American Star Placement Finalist  
Mark and Deb Palmquist, Canova Parents of Dustin Palmquist American Star   
Agri Business Finalist

Mr. and Mrs. Zemilicka, Florence Parents of Steve Zemilicka American Star   
AgriScience Finalist

**2011** - Tiffany Sanderson, Office of Curriculum, Career and Technical Education

Bill Lehman, Gettysburg FFA Advisor;

Dave VanderWal, DeSmet FFA Advisor and FFA Livestock Superintendent at the SD State Fair

Alicia Knutson, Centerville

Marvin Wastell, Omaha

Mr. and Mrs. DeJong parents of Wyatt DeJong retiring national officer.

**2012** – Holly Marshall-Heber

**2013** – Max and Julie Schwader, Howard Parents of Riley Schwader American Star Placement

Finalist

**2014** -Roger DeRouchey, Alexandria  
 Lance Howe, Redfield  
 Kent and Shawn VanderWal, Bruce Parents of American Star Agri Business finalist   
 Ethan VanderWal  
 David and Jolene Eichacker, Salem Parents of American Star Placement finalist  
 Matt Eichacker

**2015** - None

**2016** – Ed and Julie Mueller, Garretson Parents of American Star Agri Business Shane Mueller  
 Mr. and Mrs. Renner, Hartford Parents of American Star in Agri Science finalist  
 Elizabeth Renner

**2017** – Jeff Hoffman, Bridgewater

Fred Zenk, Webster

**2018** – Patty Larson, Hartford  
 Steve and Cathy Eichacker, Salem

**2019** – Eugene and Julie Streff, Salem