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Dan McGuire Honored for 50 Years of Dedicated Service to Agriculture and Rural America

WILCOX, NE, July 23, 2025: American Corn Growers Foundation (ACGF) Chairman Gale Lush announced that ACGF Policy Director Dan McGuire received the ACGF *Lifetime Service to Agriculture Award* at their May 2025 board meeting. “U.S. farmers and rural America can be thankful that Dan McGuire never forgot where he came from. Growing up on that diversified Greeley County McGuire family crop and livestock farm east of O’Connor gave Dan his hard work ethic, the understanding of risks in farming operations and the grasp of the major economic benefits that farmers generate for rural communities and the national economy,” said Lush. “After military service Dan attended the University of Nebraska, getting a BA Degree in Journalism”.



Left: ACGF V-Chair Mark Lounsbery of Revillo, SD; Dan McGuire; ACGF Chair Gale Lush of Wilcox, NE; ACGF Officer Dennis Mitchell of Houghton, SD; Center: ACGF Chair Lush presents *Lifetime Service to Agriculture Award* to McGuire; R; Ethanol Pumps

“Dan McGuire could have accepted numerous, more profitable career positions in corporate agribusiness or major staff positions offered with federal agencies or in the U.S. Congress, said Lush. “Instead, he stuck with using his talent to represent us farmers, the entire rural sector and our farm economy. We’re glad he did”.



Lush added, “Dan McGuire had a major positive impact on shaping federal policy for the benefit of rural economic development. Dan is a leader, on renewable energy policy, especially the ethanol RFS, the best policy success ever for farmers and rural America. Internationally, Dan led the way on the watershed 1980’s farm policy/export analysis public education effort by hiring Chase Econometrics to research commodity price and export quantity relationships. That was cutting-edge, groundbreaking and essential farm and trade policy work”.