

MTGA

Allied Lifetime Achievement Award

CRITERIA

- Long-term service to the industry (20+ years*)
- Long-term support of the MTGA
- Well-respected by peers and customers
- Commitment to enhance Minnesota's turkey industry

** NOTE: Service to the industry (at least 20 years or more) must be on the allied side of the industry – not the production side.*

Voting Procedure:

- Nomination form is emailed to all MTGA members.
- Members of the Allied Committee discuss nominations during a conference call that is typically held in May.
- An official ballot is then sent out by email for all committee members to vote. Recipient is based on the voting results, and is announced at the annual MTGA summer meeting.
- Recipient is kept secret until the summer meeting, if possible; if that's not possible, MTGA will invite the recipient. Plaque is ordered by MTGA staff.

Current (as of 5-2017) Allied Committee members:

- Gregg Veldman
- Randy Olsen
- Errol Lagred
- Jeff Stauffenecker (MTGA Allied Board rep)
- Barry Koppen (MTGA Allied Board rep)
- Doug Dorn (MTGA Allied Board rep)

Past Recipients:

1999 Virgil Cordes, Francis Gillis and Mert Hanson
2000 Max Johnson
2001 Tom Gillis
2002 Gene Brinton
2003 Randy Olsen
2004 Grant Shold
2005 Dr. James Trites
2006 Dr. George Speers
2007 Gil Warriner
2008 Roger Bultman
2009 Errol Lagred
2010 Roger Refling and Dr. Yan Ghazikhanian

2011 Bob Petersen
2012 Jerry Isley
2013 Jerry Foss
2014 Dave Fischbach and Glenn Schulz
2015 Jim Kotchevar
2016 Brad Kelley
2017 Dr. Kim Brinton
2018 Tom Bruin
2019 Gregg Veldman