

**LeRoy McClintock—
2016 Winneshiek
County Fair
Distinguished Service
Award**

LeRoy grew up on a farm in Winneshiek County with dairy cows, pigs, chickens, sheep, and rabbits. When he was old enough, he joined the Pleasant Pushers 4-H club.

He had many projects that included gardening, growing Christmas trees, woodworking, farm safety, tractor projects, and a dairy heifer and exhibited them at the Winneshiek County Fair.



He was always looking for more to do, one of his sister's shared that when LeRoy was in Junior High, his garden projects did well and allowed him to sell enough produce to buy a movie camera and he started recording memories for his family and friends.

His 4-H path didn't stop when he graduated. LeRoy became the leader for his old 4-H club, the Pleasant Pushers, then the Madison Hustlers. After 50 years, he is still the leader for the Madison 4-Her's club.

Over 5 decades, he has been a very active volunteer on the Pine Bluff board and has been involved with many improvements and reconstructions over the years. LeRoy is always there for clean-up day in the spring.

LeRoy is a very active member of the Winneshiek County Cattlemen. He is always lending a hand or leading the charge. He was instrumental in building the Cattlemen's Beef Quarters on the fairgrounds. Before the fair, he's getting ready; during the fair, he's grilling; and after the fair, he's cleaning up.

LeRoy has received many awards for his years of service including the Winneshiek County Cattlemen's Service Award, Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame, and Friend of FFA.

He is always volunteering for something and seems to always be the first one to help someone out with a can-do attitude. LeRoy has been volunteering at various jobs for 50 years, always working behind the scenes. His only problem is that he doesn't have enough hours in the day to give of his time.

He has three wonderful children, Beth Sims, Randy McClintock, and Karla Lechtenberg, who were very active and successful in 4-H and FFA. All three live in Winneshiek County and are close enough to get frequently "volunteered" into one his projects as does his wife, Deanna.

With all of this, he still finds time to participate in parades with his father's, 1954 John Deere B, that he and Randy restored. LeRoy also likes to spend time with his 11 grandchildren, with another one on the way.