

# Vera Page

Fort Hill Farm • Beef Cattle Operation  
Mineral County



## Vera's story

Vera's love of agriculture began at three years old when her grandad would take her on horseback to salt the cattle on Sunday afternoons. It was a simple tradition that encouraged Vera to become a proponent for agriculture.

Vera was the 4th generation to graduate from West Virginia University. While at WVU, Vera participated on the livestock judging team. She was the 1974-75 Angus Queen, the 1975 Mineral County Fair Queen and 1978 Forest Festival Princess. Following graduation in 1979, she was the first female to be hired straight out of college to serve as a County Director for the Farm Service Agency. She served in that role for 34 years prior to her recent retirement. While employed with FSA, Vera was awarded the National Administrator Award for Superior Service from the USDA.

Currently, Vera, along with

her family, own and operate a total of 2,004 acres. Their operation focuses on registered Angus cattle. Vera is involved in the Wardensville Bull Test as well as the Angus Program MaternalPlus. She is a member of the WV Cattleman's Association as well as the WV and American Angus Associations.

Vera has served on the Mineral County Agriculture Education Advisory Committee where she was actively involved with program assessments. Because of her efforts, she was awarded the Honorary FFA Degree by the Mineral County FFA Chapter. She is currently a leader of the Klover Crusaders 4-H Club. She is a member of the Livestock Governing Committee for the Mineral County Fair and volunteers at the Mineral County 4-H and FFA Youth Livestock Auction as well as the FFA Ham, Bacon and Egg Auction. Vera is also an active member of the Burlington Union Church.

Vera resides in Burlington with her husband Howard and daughters, Margaret and Sarah.

“Be willing to learn and acknowledge what happened to get you to that point. Respect the past and learn from it.” - Vera Page

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