



**ROBERT C. BAKER 1921 -2006**

Born in Newark, New York; B.S. 1943, Cornell; M.S. 1949, Penn State; Ph.D. 1956, Purdue. He started out as an Assistant County Agent, and eventually served as Chairman of the Poultry Department at Cornell University. He did research on value added poultry products, gave the consumer more choices, and helped increase poultry consumption. He developed several new poultry and egg products, including the poultry hotdog, poultry bologna, chicken sticks, frozen French toast and hard cooked eggs in a tube. Dr. Baker's research on chemical and microbiological properties of poultry meat and egg products was significant to the poultry processing industry. He was an excellent mentor and maintained a close relationship with former students. Dr. Baker advised new poultry science students, encouraged them to join the Poultry Science Club, and helped them generate income by doing barbecues. Poultry Hall of Fame, 2004.



**CHARLES W. BEARD 1932 -**

Born in Tifton, Georgia; D.V.M. 1955, University of Georgia; M.S. 1964, Ph.D. 1965, University of Wisconsin. Dr. Charles W. Beard served as the Laboratory Director of the USDA Southeast Poultry Research Laboratory and conducted research on Newcastle Disease and Avian Influenza. He developed the AGP test used to detect the presence of avian influenza antibodies in serum and egg yolk, still in use today. This test was used as part of the successful 1983-84 avian influenza eradication efforts in the United States. He has published on a wide variety of poultry disease subjects, including serology, vaccines, FAPP SPF housing and disease containment. Dr. Beard worked with the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association, fostering research on scientific questions of interest to the industry. His ability to translate complexities of disease epidemiology and his voice of reason has been very helpful in poultry disease eradication programs over many years.

Poultry Hall of Fame, 2004.



**J. FRANK GORDY, SR. 1906 - 1987**

Born in Laurel, Delaware; B.S. 1928, University of Delaware. J. Frank Gordy, Sr. was a vocational agriculture teacher and a county agent early in his career. Mr. Gordy served as the Extension Poultryman and the Director of the University of Delaware Substation from 1941-1971. He was Executive Secretary and Executive Director of Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. from 1948-1973. Mr. Gordy provided inspiration and leadership during the formative years of the national chicken industry when the largest segment was on Delmarva. He was honored by many agricultural agencies over the years. The Historical Society of Delaware states, "Gordy became the pivot of committees and organizations that brought the poultry industry together.

Poultry Hall of Fame, 2004.



**HARAN N. LASHER 1920-2012**

Born, Sunrise Farm, Catskill, NY; D.V.M., 1942, Cornell. Dr. Lasher founded three successful poultry vaccine enterprises - DPL/Sterwin Laboratories, ICB/Intervet, and Lasher Associates, Inc. His research led to numerous innovative vaccines. He co-founded the first specific-pathogen-free egg production facility and helped guide federal policy-making on regulation of vaccines. He received the Delaware governor's prestigious award - Order of the First State. His philanthropy supported university research at Cornell, Georgia, and Delaware. Dr. Lasher initiated the Caswell S. Eidson Chair in Poultry Medicine at Georgia. He funded renovation of a former USDA Laboratory, transforming it into the state-of-the-art poultry disease diagnostic facility, the University of Delaware Lasher Laboratory.

Poultry Hall of Fame, 2004.



**JERRY L SELL 1931-**

Born in Adel, Iowa; B.S., M.S., Ph.D., Iowa State University. Dr. Jerry Sell, an outstanding poultry nutritionist and teacher, made contributions from the University of Manitoba, North Dakota State University and Iowa State. He was President and Section Editor of the Poultry Science Association. Dr. Sell chaired the Poultry Nutrition subcommittee of the National Research Council for the 1994 Nutrient Requirements of Poultry. Dr. Sell published extensively on amino acids, energy, vitamins and minerals. Dr. Sell has been recognized as a Fellow of the Poultry Science Association and by awards from the American Feed Manufacturers Association, National Turkey Federation, Merck Research, and the American Poultry Historical Society. Dr. Sell's major contribution was his exceptional training of graduate students; many are leaders in the poultry industry. Poultry Hall of Fame, 2004.