

# ABRAHAM BALDWIN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## MASTER FARMER AWARD

The *ABAC Master Farmer Award* is presented by the ABAC Alumni Association in recognition of alumni who have distinguished themselves as outstanding farmers. The award is based upon leadership in the home, church, and community as well as the use of wise and unique ideas in farm management and operation. Service to the college is also taken into consideration. The *Master Farmer Award* was first presented in 1955, making it the oldest of the awards presented by the Alumni Association.

### Eligibility & Criteria

1. The *Master Farmer Award* is open to anyone who has attended Second District A&M School, South Georgia A&M College, Georgia State College for Men or Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College for at least three full quarters (minimum of 45 quarter hours) and has distinguished himself/herself as a leader in the farming field of agriculture.
2. Those nominated are not required to have received a degree or certificate from ABAC nor are they required to have majored in agriculture or a related field.
3. The Master Farmer must derive at least two-thirds of his/her income from the farm operation.
4. Each nomination must include at least two letters of recommendation. Additional supporting materials are welcomed.
5. Each nomination must be submitted by the deadline established by the ABAC Alumni Awards Committee.
6. Nominees will be considered for two consecutive years. Persons may be re-nominated after two years.
7. Selection for the award will be made by the ABAC Alumni Awards Committee.
8. This Award will be presented during the annual Celebrate ABAC Awards Program.

### Evaluation

I. Farming Operation and Accomplishment	60
II. Community Service	30
III. Service to ABAC	<u>10</u>
	100

Nomination form and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than **December 1st** and mailed to:

**ABAC ALUMNI AWARDS**  
**ABAC 13, 2802 Moore Highway**  
**Tifton, GA 31793-2601**

**For more information, contact the Alumni Relations Office at (229) 391-4900.**

**MASTER FARMER  
NOMINATION FORM**  
(Use additional pages as necessary)

**DATE:**

**NAME:**

**MAIDEN NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**HOME PHONE:**

**BUSINESS PHONE:**

**YEARS ATTENDED ABAC: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

**MAJOR(S):**

**FURTHER EDUCATION AND DEGREES:**

**I. FARMING OPERATION AND ACCOMPLISHMENT**

**A. CURRENT FARMING OPERATION** (Include crops and acreage; livestock/poultry production; soil and water management, including irrigation and environmental concerns; marketing and management practices [record keeping, forward contacting, point of sale, etc.]; number of acres purchased, leased or inherited; family involvement; additional labor, if any; equipment and buildings; and other pertinent information):

**B. FARMING HISTORY** (Include year started and how operation has grown and changed to meet current needs):

**C. SPECIAL HONORS OR RECOGNITION RELATED TO FARMING:**

**D. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (Farm Bureau, Cattlemen's Association, Young Farmers Association, Peanut Producers, etc.):**

**E. SOURCES OF INCOME OTHER THAN FARMING (Cannot exceed one-third of total income):**

**F. PHILOSOPHY OF FARMING/AGRICULTURE**

**II. COMMUNITY SERVICE (Local, State and National)**

**A. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (include memberships, projects, offices, etc.):**

**B. CHURCH INVOLVEMENT:**

**C. CHARITABLE CAUSES (Heart Association, United Way, Red Cross, etc.):**

**D. SPECIAL HONORS OR RECOGNITION:**

**E. OTHER:**

**III. SERVICE TO ABAC (Include work with Alumni Association and the Foundation, recruitment of prospective students, short courses, financial support, special events such as Homecoming, Evening for ABAC, athletic events, arts activities, etc.)**

**IV. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**A. FAMILY:**

**Spouse's name:**

**Maiden Name:**

**Did spouse attend ABAC?**

**When? \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

**Children's names and ages:**

**Did/do children attend ABAC?**

**B. STUDENT ACTIVITIES WHILE AT ABAC:**

**C. HOBBIES AND SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

**V. LETTERS OF SUPPORT**

**Please list names, addresses and day phone numbers of individuals who were contacted to write letters in support of this nomination. These letters can accompany this nomination form or may be mailed directly to the Alumni Office. Use additional page, if necessary.**

**This information was provided by (if someone other than the nominee):**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**City, State, and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_**