J. Lamar Branch Award for Outstanding Leadership in Agriculture

The **J. Lamar Branch Award for Outstanding Leadership in Agriculture** is presented by the ABAC Alumni Association in recognition of former students who have distinguished themselves through community service, professional achievement and service to the College. This award is based on leadership in a non-farming field of agriculture including, but not limited to: extension, education, research, forestry, wildlife, horticulture, veterinary medicine, equipment, sales and marketing.

The **J. Lamar Branch Award for Outstanding Leadership in Agriculture**, first presented in 1987, was named in memory of the late J. Lamar Branch, a dedicated alumnus and agricultural leader.

**Criteria**
1. The Branch 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 a non-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. Each nomination must include at least two letters of recommendation. Additional supporting materials are welcomed.
4. Each nomination must be submitted by the deadline established by the ABAC Alumni Awards Committee.
5. Nominees will be considered for two consecutive years. Persons may be re-nominated after two years.
6. Selection for the award will be made by the ABAC Alumni Awards Committee.
7. The award will be presented during the annual Celebrate ABAC Awards Program.

**Evaluation**

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Nomination form, letters of recommendation, and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than **January 15th** 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.
J. Lamar Branch Award for Outstanding Leadership in Agriculture  
Nomination Form  
(Use additional pages as necessary)

NAME: 

MAIDEN NAME: 

ADDRESS: 

HOME PHONE: 

BUSINESS PHONE: 

YEARS ATTENDED ABAC: 

MAJOR(S): 

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND DEGREES: 

I. PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

A. CURRENT PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT AND POSITION (include name of firm): 

B. PROFESSIONAL HONORS OR RECOGNITION: 

C. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: 

D. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: 

E. PHILOSOPHY OF AGRICULTURE:

F. OTHER:

II. COMMUNITY SERVICE (Local, State and National)

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

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, financial support, short courses, special events such as Homecoming, Evening for ABAC, arts events, athletic events, etc.)
IV. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Family:

Spouse's Name:  
Maiden Name:  

Did spouse attend ABAC?  
When?  

Children's names and ages:  

Did/do children attend ABAC?  

B. STUDENT ACTIVITIES WHILE AT ABAC:

C. HOBBIES AND SPECIAL INTERESTS:

This information was provided by: (if different from nominee)
Name:  
Address:  
Day Phone:  