

Hope several of you were able to attend the American Royal in Kansas City to view the high quality cattle that were exhibited. Several of our members will be gathering at the 128<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of Delegates in Louisville, KY this month and I would like to thank them for representing our state. I wish them safe travels and challenge them to bring back new ideas for our state organization.

Miss Paige Wallace will be retiring her reign as Miss American Angus this month and I want to thank her for representing Missouri so well this past year. We also want to thank Cody Smith for his efforts on the NJAA Board of Directors. Our state should be extremely proud of all our junior members!

Don't forget to submit your nominations for the 2012 Missouri Angus Futurity scheduled for February 25-26 so Josh Worthington

can get to your farm to inspect your consignments. Everything is on track once again for a strong offering of cattle and a great sale. It's not too early to start working on those consignments! Hope everyone has their calendar marked for the last weekend in February to attend.

The Missouri Angus Advantage Plus Sale will be Friday evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup> in Marshall, MO. I look forward to seeing you there!

Hope everyone is able to spend Thanksgiving with family and friends and remember how lucky we are to have the many luxuries and numerous opportunities available in our country. Please take a moment to put the negatives aside and dwell on the positives in our life! 🍂

## Obituaries

### Eugene H. Hinds, II

(April 4, 1959 - September 26, 2011)

PALMYRA, Mo. — Eugene H. Hinds, II, 52, of Palmyra, Missouri, passed away at 4:46 P M Monday, September 26, at his home.

Gene was born April 4, 1959 in Hannibal, Missouri to Dr. Eugene H. and June Eichman Hinds. He is survived by a son, Michael E. Hinds, of Palmyra, and his mother, Diane Boulware of Quincy, Il.; parents: Dr. Eugene H. and June Hinds of Palmyra; sister, Harriet (Fred) Latimer of Palmyra; nieces, Dr. Laura Akerson of Palmyra; Libby (Marvin) Evans of Palmyra; great nieces, Taylor Vance, Ashlyn and Ruby Akerson, nephew, Levi Vance, uncles and aunts, Harry and Betty Hinds of Palmyra; Margaret Marr of St. Louis, Mo.; Betty Singer of Naples, Fl.; and George (Colleen) Eichman of Prescott, Az..

He was preceded in death by a cousin, Gary Hinds, and an uncle, Dr. Otto Eichman. Gene farmed with his parents and loved being on the farm and taking care of the cattle. He was a member of the American Angus Association. He was a 1977 graduate of Palmyra High School and attended the University of Missouri. He loved music, sports, black angus cattle, and the great outdoors.

Funeral services were held at Lewis Brothers Funeral Chapel in Palmyra. Rev. Dewayne Larenson officiated. Interment was at Greenwood Cemetery in Palmyra, Missouri. Visitation was held at Lewis Brothers Funeral Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Hinds Park, Palmyra, Mo. Casket Bearers were John Glascock, Steve Bross, Matt Gottman, Steve Riney, Mark Ragar, and Bruce Cooksey. Honorary Bearers were Jeff Henry, Ed Campfield, Paul Shear, Paul Miller, Rob Pyse, Robert Hagar, and Jeff Schneider. 🍂

## American Angus Assn. Announces the Ten Missouri Breeders Who Registered the Most Angus

The 10 producers who registered the most Angus beef cattle in the state of Missouri recorded a total of 2995 Angus with the American Angus Association® during fiscal year 2011, which ended Sept. 30, according to Bryce Schumann, CEO of the American Angus Association.

The 10 top recorders in Missouri are: Sydenstricker Genetics Inc, Mexico, 661-head; Circle A Ranch, Iberia, 500; Alan W Mead, Barnett, 426; Fox Run Farms LLC, Mexico, 290; Terry Little & Son, Monticello, 216-head; Hopewell Farms Livestock LLC, Paris, 201; Marshall & Fenner Farms, Malta Bend, 190; KCS Angus Ranch LLC, Novinger, 180; Mr & Mrs Jack C Baker, Butler, 169-head; Gal-

axy Beef LLC, Graham, 162.

Angus breeders across the nation in 2011 registered 294,975 head of Angus cattle. "Our year-end statistics continue to demonstrate strong demand for Angus genetics and solidify our long-held position as a leader in the beef cattle industry," Schumann said. "These results underscore our members' commitment to providing genetic solutions to the beef cattle industry."

The American Angus Association, headquartered in Saint Joseph, Mo., is the largest beef registry association in the world in terms of both annual registrations and active members. For more information about the Angus breed go to [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org). 🍂

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