

The Mid-Columbia Agriculture Hall of Fame was formed in Year 2000 to recognize and honor distinguished individuals that have made significant contributions to the agricultural community in the Greater Franklin County region and its immediate surrounding areas; although nominees from neighboring counties of Franklin County within a 150-mile radius are often also considered for this prestigious award.

The Pasco Chamber Board has proudly created a Selection Committee comprised of quality individuals representative of our agriculture industry and has chartered them with the honorable task of reviewing all nomination submittals. Induction candidates are selected based on their outstanding performance in the agriculture industry and their bountiful support of the local and rural communities. Candidates are recognized by their peers for not only their dedication, generosity, and selflessness, but also their demonstrated achievements, noteworthy expertise, and creative innovations that often provide a legacy of impactful results and lasting benefit to the overall enhancement of the local agricultural industry and community at large. Farmers, growers, ranchers, and owners/employees of agribusiness firms are all eligible for nomination as either individuals and/or families.

The Ag Hall of Fame inductions will be presented at a special gala January 18, 2023 at the Pasco Red Lion. *Deadline for Application is November 1, 2022.* 

#### Mid-Columbia Agriculture Hall of Fame Intent to Nominate

Nominee's Name <u>Tina A Bush</u>	
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### Nomination Package Requirements

### 1. Cover of Nomination packet (front page)

Name of Nominee Hi Resolution Photo of Nominee The Nominator and relation Date submitted

### 2. Years of Community and Agriculture Service

Please list no more than twenty (20) organizations and services the Nominee has participated in to enhance our agriculture community. (E.g. commissions, associations, community service, volunteer activities and events, etc.)

### 3. Brief Bio of Nominee

Please provide (1-2 pages) of background information profiling the Nominee's family history and childhood experiences, including the geographic region of Nominee's upbringing. Be sure to emphasize any and all character traits and attributes unique to the Nominee and discuss personal interests and values that would help create a *Nominee signature story*. As the Nominator, it is Imperative to include your personal sentiments and justification to support the selection of your Nominee into the Mid-Columbia Agriculture Hall of Fame.

### 4. Attachments (not to exceed ten (10) pages)

Please provide photos, newspaper, and/or magazine clips, individual letters of recognition and support, special awards, event photos etc.

Upon request, the Chamber will provide a guideline to serve as a framework to assist you with the development of your submittal, as well as writing and editing resources. It is important that the nomination process remain streamlined, easy, and enjoyable.

> Return completed nomination form: Pasco Chamber of Commerce 1110 Osprey Pointe Blvd, Suite 101 Pasco, WA 99301

#### Tina A Bush - 2023 Ag Hall a Fame

To whom it may concern,

Tina Bush has been helping kids with 4-H and FFA swine projects for 30 years at the Benton-Franklin County Fair. She started out by becoming the assistant 4-H leader for her children's club, Finley Livestock, the oldest established 4-H club in the area which was formed in 1950. She later took on the role of main leader. It wasn't long before she was assisting the Superintendent of the Swine barn and then nearly twenty years ago took on the role of Swine Superintendent. Tina was recognized by the Benton-Franklin Fair Board as Volunteer of the Year in 2018.

Tina is the mother of four and grandmother of seven. All her children have shown swine at the fair and she has two of her grandchildren now showing at the fair. Tina enjoys fair time and loves watching over the kids in the barn and making sure everyone does their part in taking care of their pigs. She says it makes for a long week, but it is worth every minute, especially to see the growth in the kids that come back each year to show and to see the children of past fair competitors now showing.

Tina has always found ways to volunteer in the community; she is currently a member of the Benton-Franklin Market Stock Association, is a past Parent Teacher Group President for Finley Elementary, where she was fondly referred to as the "Popcorn Lady" by the students for all the time she spent putting on popcorn days. She also found time to volunteer for Benton County Fire District #1 as the Support Services Supervisor where she helped provide rehab services to personnel during emergency incidents and was honored more than once as Support Services Member of the Year. In 2019, the Finley Chapter of FFA awarded Tina with an Honorary Chapter Farmer Award for all the help she has provided to the Chapter. She also has volunteered for many church related functions over the years including filling a position as a Cub Scout Leader.

Tina was raised on a small family farm in Finley, there were always a variety of animals raised on the farm; chickens, cattle, pigs, and a horse or two. She and her husband of 42 years purchased a portion of the farm and currently have a small, but growing herd of registered Texas Longhorns. There are still pigs on the place, although only a few for the grandchildren's 4-H and FFA projects and at times a horse or two.

Tina is a hard-working person who possesses a self-sacrificing nature and strives to set a good example for others to follow. She is devoted to spending as much time with her family as she can and in her spare time, she enjoys creating crafts for holiday bazaars.

Sincerely,

**Ronnie L Bush** 

### **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

### TINA BUSH

Tina Bush has been helping kids with 4-H and FFA swine projects for more than 25 years at the Benton Franklin Fair & Rodeo. She started out as an assistant 4-H leader for her children's club, Finley Livestock, the oldest established 4-H club in the area which was formed in 1950. She later took on the role of main leader. It wasn't long before she was assisting the superintendent of the Swine barn. About 15 years ago, that she took on the role of Swine Superintendent.

Tina is the mother of four and grandmother of seven. Her youngest son and two of her oldest grandchildren show swine at the fair. Tina enjoys fair time and loves watching over the kids in the barn and making sure everyone does their part in taking care of their pigs. She says it makes for a long week, but it is worth every minute, especially to see the growth in the kids that come back each year to show their livestock. It really is all about the kids.



Tina also volunteers for the Benton-Franklin Market Stock Association as well as volunteering as the Support Supervisor for Benton County Fire District #1 where she helps provide rehab services to personnel during emergency incidents. This also helps her keep track of her husband of 38 years, Ron who is a Captain with the Fire District.



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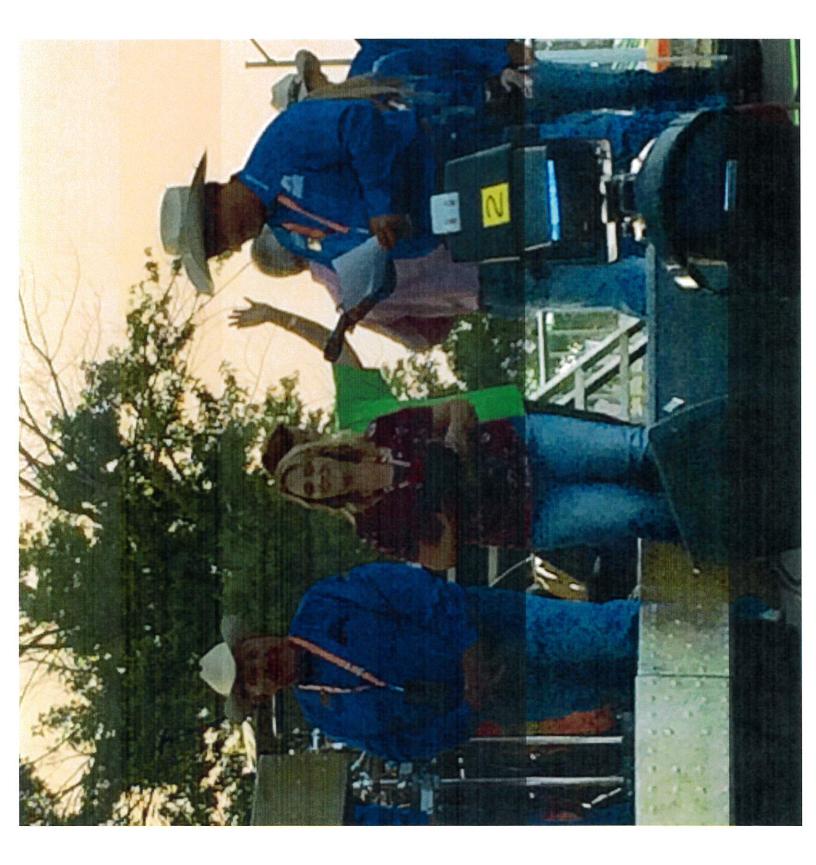
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Tina A. Bush

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Lonnie E. Click – Fire Chief

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