I have lived in the Auburn, IL area my entire life, graduating from the University of Illinois with a degree in Ag Economics in 1971. My wife Debbie and I have four grown children and ten grandchildren. I previously served 12 years on the Auburn school board, 12 years on the Lincoln Land Community College Foundation Board, 25 years as a Director on the United Community Bank Board, and 25 years as a Director on United Community Bancorp, Inc. I have been a long time Trustee and finance chairman of the Auburn United Methodist Church. Since its inception in 1989, I continue to serve as a member of the Lake Springfield Watershed Resource Planning Committee.

My son John and I enjoy farming together in southwestern Sangamon County. Farmland preservation is very important to our family and it has been a privilege to serve as a Trustee on The Sangamon Conservancy Trust Board for the past 6 years. I look forward to continue working with a very dedicated group of individuals who appreciate farmland preservation as much as I do.