

Dwight Stone, Stonemark Suffolks

Dwight Stone was third generation to be born in Medicine Lodge, Kansas and raised on the family farm. He married Jean Sitler in 1948 and they raised two girls, Kim and Cam.

Stonemark Suffolks began in 1951 with ewes and rams purchased from PJ Rock in California. With a passion for raising livestock and a good eye for judging the breed Dwight was able to develop consistency and quality in the flock as it flourished during the production years.

Raising, breeding, and selling Suffolk sheep provided many opportunities for the family to travel extensively from coast to coast in the United States. These trips provided many fun filled adventures and wonderful memories.

In the show ring, Stonemark Suffolks were known as winners and often placed as Champion or Grand Champion with their rams and ewes.

Dwight served as a director on the American Suffolk Sheep Association board and was also elected President from 1973 to 1975. He always enjoyed serving and improving the association.

Beginning in January 1971, plans to reduce the flock were implemented due to the work load and labor involved. The closing chapter of Stonemark Suffolks was 1978. Those twenty years of breeding had produced consistent and quality sheep.

In the following years Dwight continued farming with his father and later with his grandson, Mike. Dwight passed away in December 2006.

We would like to thank the Board of Directors for this honor and recognition of Stonemark Suffolks.