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Tosh Farms Wins 2019 Top Producer of the Year Award

Chicago (Jan. 21, 2019) — Jimmy Tosh has been named the 2019 winner of Farm Journal’s annual Top Producer of the Year award. Tosh is the owner and CEO of Tosh Farms, Tosh Pork and Bacon By Gosh in Henry, Tenn.

“In 1972, Jimmy Tosh began his full-time farming career with 300 acres of family land and 1,000 feeder pigs,” said Sara Schafer, Editor of *Top Producer* magazine. “Fast forward to today, and the operation includes 17,000 acres of white and yellow corn, soybeans, canola and wheat, as well as 37,000 sows that produce 850,000 market hogs annually. Growth of his scale doesn’t happen by accident. Jimmy is a trailblazer in many ways.”

The Tosh Farms team includes nearly 400 full-time employees. Tosh and his wife, Alonna, have two sons, Jamey and Jonathan, who are involved in the business and will succeed Jimmy. Tosh Farms, as defined by their mission statement, measures success by profitability, quality of production, environmental awareness and attention to human resources.

See the story behind [Tosh Farms](#).

Also honored as finalists during the annual Top Producer of the Year banquet were [Chris Adams of Adams Family Farms](#) in Grand Forks, N.D.; and [Ron Rabou of Rabou Farms](#) in Albin, Wyo. The finalists and winners will be featured this week on AgDay and in upcoming issues of *Top Producer*.

Sponsored by BASF, Rabo AgriFinance and Case IH, the Top Producer of the Year contest is in its 20th year and represents the best in the business of farming. Three finalists are chosen from numerous applications by a panel of judges based on entrepreneurial originality; financial and business progress; and industry and community leadership.

The three finalists received all-expense-paid trips to attend the Summit, as well as sessions with a CEO coach, courtesy of BASF. The winner also receives the tractor of their choice, either a Steiger Rowtrac or a Magnum Rowtrac from Case IH, for 150 hours of use on their farm, courtesy of Case IH. From Rabo AgriFinance, the winner receives a spot on one of the company’s upcoming “Connections in Global Ag” international trips.

More than 1,000 participants attended in this year’s Top Producer Summit in Chicago. For the first time ever, Farm Journal combined Top Producer Seminar, Tomorrow’s Top Producer, Executive Women in Agriculture (EWA) and the Legacy Project Conference for a week of networking and education for the nation’s executive farmers. Producers, representing 4 million acres from 33 states, Canada and Australia, attended the Summit.

This year's seminar featured more than 30 different educational sessions around the theme "Breaking Barriers," for producers to hone their money, marketing and management skills.

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