

Marvin Boerboom BIO.

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He worked as a Corn Breeder at the Olivia, MN Corn Research Station for 37 years.

He graduated from Ridgewater College A.S. in Agronomy, B.S. in Agronomy from the Univ. of MN, M.S. and Ph.D. in Plant Genetics from North Dakota State Univ. in 1977. His PhD thesis research was on drought tolerance in barley. Prior to working for Monsanto, He built a 20-year career at DEKALB-Pfizer Genetics overseeing Northern corn breeding programs and corn research stations, supervising research equipment and managing inbred/hybrid development and product advancement.

He was recognized as a Monsanto Senior Fellow in 2002, received the Monsanto Science and Technology Career Award in 2005 and the Edgar M. Queeny Award, Monsanto's highest award for science and technology, in 2008. In 2012 he was awarded the National Association of Plant Breeders first ever "Commercial Impact Award"

He has developed inbreds that have been parents of 156+ different hybrids contributing 62+ million units of hybrid corn sales that were grown on millions of acres in North America. He has 66 + inbred patents granted and 34 inbred patents pending. He has provided mentorship, coaching and support to other breeders on germplasm, breeding methodologies, selection criteria and overall station management.

In addition to his lines and hybrids, he has spent countless hours with European breeders that have resulted in more than a decade of products for the European markets. More than 6 million units of seed sales, in Europe, including a leading hybrid with over 2 million units, represents just part of the global impact of this extremely productive breeding effort. He has many connections with regional farmers and seedsmen, and throughout his career, has changed economics, impacted lives, and created jobs through the added corn production his breeding program has supported over the last third of a century.

He continues to always look for improvements in practices that can aid breeding gains through modern Technology. He was quick to adopt new genomic technologies and practices that he applied to his breeding program.

This year is Marvin Boerboom