



Kansas Association of Conservation Districts

### **Don Rezac Memorial Award**

Don Rezac was a lifelong Kansas farmer and rancher. He started his career with only six sows and one boar and went on to become president of Rezac Land and Livestock. He was a passionate conservationist who served as a supervisor of the Pottawatomie County Conservation District for 41 years, from 1969 to 2010, and served as director of Area IV for the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts from 1995 to 2007.

Don served in the Kansas House of Representatives from 1982 to 1994. In addition, he was active in many local organizations, including the Kansas Cattlemen's Association, Kansas Livestock Association, Kansas Farmers Union, Kansas and Onaga Young Farmers and the Kansas Soybean Association. In 1987, he became only the fifth Kansan in history to receive the National 4-H Alumni Award. Don and his wife, Barbara, were named Master Farmer-Homemaker by Kansas State University in 1996 for their contributions to agriculture and community. He was also an active member of the Onaga school board from 1971 to 1982.

Don Rezac has been described as a man of integrity, intelligence and humor. He will be remembered for his lifelong commitment to public service to his state and community, and to our good fortune, the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts.

#### **Required Criteria:**

- Candidate has been a district supervisor for a minimum of six years.
- Candidate has attended the KACD Convention on a regular basis and been active in KACD activities.

#### **Other Criteria for Favorable Consideration:**

- Candidate has served on the KACD Board of Directors
- Candidate has served as a State Conservation Commissioner
- Candidate has been involved in outside activities (elected positions, community groups, other state and local associations)

*Please submit nominations to KACD Executive Director Dan Meyerhoff at [kacd@eaglecom.net](mailto:kacd@eaglecom.net) by **October 4, 2019**. The winner will receive an award at the KACD Convention banquet.*