

Dale Eizinger and Robert Tobey Agricultural Scholarship

The Dale Eizinger and Robert Tobey Agricultural Scholarship was created in 2010. Both men were extremely dedicated and passionate about agriculture and their community.

Dale Eizinger was a graduate of Tippecanoe High School and Purdue University. He later served with the 63rd Infantry Division and was in combat in Europe with the 69th Division as an artillery officer and received awards such as the Bronze Star and the Battle Star of Central Europe. In 1946, he fell in love and moved to Rochester with his wife, Nanette Burke. There, he began teaching at Rochester High School and continued to do so for 35 years. Dale was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church of Rochester, Classroom Teachers, National Education Association, Indiana Classroom Teachers Association and Retired Teachers Association. He was also a member of the American Legion and Disabled Veterans.

Robert "Bob" Tobey was a lifelong Fulton County farmer. Bob was always fascinated with agriculture. During his schooling, he was a charter member and one of the founders of the Rochester High School Future Farmers of America Chapter. He was also a 10-year 4-H member. Bob was known for his strong work ethic and passionate spirit. He was involved in several organizations including the Fulton County Farm Bureau, Fulton County Purebred Breeders Association, the Shropshire Breeders Association, National Shropshire Breeders Association, Fulton County Extension Board, and Fulton County Sheep Committee for +50 years. Bob also led the Woodrow Sodbusters for over 45 years as leader. Bob is lovingly remembered by his wife Shirley Colleen Wagoner and other family.

These great men's lives will always be cherished and remembered through this scholarship that assists other young students in pursuing agriculture.