The John T. Lesley Award of Excellence

Packinghouse Day August 19, 2019

#### The Award

- First presented to John T. Lesley in 1981
- As a special tribute to Mr. Lesley the award was named in his honor
- It is presented in recognition of an individual for outstanding leadership and service on behalf of the Florida fresh citrus industry

# 2019 Recipient "The Person"

## Personal

- Born June 19, 1946 in Vero Beach
- Attended Vero Beach High School
- Active Duty in the US Army 1969-71
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in the Signal Corp
- Served in the US Army Reserves 1971-75
- Personal Life:
  - He is married
  - Has two children
  - Has two grandchildren
  - One brother
- Graduated from UF in 1969 with a BS in Business Administration (Marketing)

#### The Family began farming in Vero in 1935 Mostly tomatoes, melons & squash





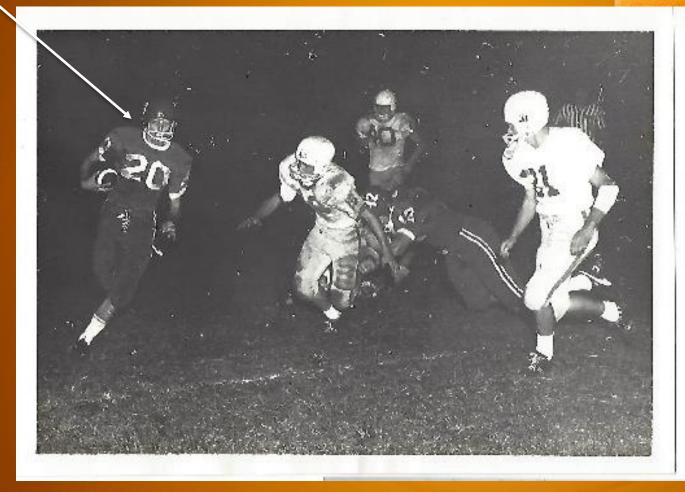
## Handsome from a young age



#### In High School Always a "Class Act".....



#### Our Recipient was quite the star athlete



# **Fast Forward**

#### Always willing to give the Old Ball Coach some pointers



### Modeled Golf Attire for Burdines' in the 80's



# Sometimes asked to keep an eye on Hamner



### Known to occasionally wet a line





#### Always willing to entertain the Customers (these are the clean shots)





#### Assembled a Winning Team at Hogan & Sons



#### And Through it all, he managed to:

- Serve as president and GM of Hogan & Sons
- Instrumental in the development of the 48/56 rule in times of oversupply.
- Serve on Citrus Commission:
  - 2005-11
  - International Comm: 05-08
  - Vice Chair 2008-10
  - Chair 2010-11
- "Legend of the River" 2015
- Original Board of NVDMC, key to its formation and relocation

- President of Florida Citrus Packers 2003-2005
- Chairman of Citrus
  Administrative Committee
- Longtime Board member of IR Citrus League
- Board: Barnett Bank
- Board: Nations Bank
- FIRST PIQ house
- USDA "Hammer Award" presented by Al Gore

## Leadership







# Guidance

## Strong Family Lineage...





## **Always Family First**





Even if suffering stranded on an Island somewhere in the Bahamas

#### Colleagues describe him as:

- Innovative
- Reliable
- Industrious
- Fun Loving
- Gracious
- Tenacious

Congratulations to George Streetman

#### 2019 Winner of the John T. Lesley Award

