

Arkansas



Charles Austin Vines (1907-2001)

Executive Director, Arkansas 4-H Foundation

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4-H Efforts: Development of the \$6 million C. A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center; Co-editor of *Heritage Horizons: Extension's Commitment to People*; Assisted in establishing, evaluating or reorganizing Extension Services in 6 foreign countries.

Honors: NAE4-HA U.S. Air Force American Spirit Award, 1987; Superior Service Award, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, 1960; Distinguished Service Ruby Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi, 1964; Arkansas Man of the Year in Agriculture, 1954.

Hometown: Little Rock, Arkansas

Nominated by: Arkansas 4-H

Year Inducted: 2002

"When I leave this earth, I don't expect people to remember me for the clothes I wore, the car I drove, or the house I lived in, but as somebody who touched the life of a child and helped them enrich their life."

No voice in agriculture and education over the past 65 years has earned more respect than that of C. A. Vines. No person has served as a better role model to inspire Arkansas' youth or educators. Mr. Vines' career was marked by an ability to quietly reason and move the minds of four generations of fellow Arkansans.

His guidance has been a continuing force in building our state's top-ranking system for agricultural production and education. During his career, he worked in almost every possible capacity within Extension from Assistant County Agent to Vice President for Agriculture.



Mr. Vines visiting with 4-H'ers at the C.A. Vines 4-H Center



Mr. Vines in front of the \$6 million Center named in his honor.