

Florida 2003



Madison Langley (Bill) Bell, Jr.
Founder & First President, Escambia County 4-H Foundation

4-H Stats: Second generation ardent supporter of Escambia County 4-H. Founder, first president, and often board member, Escambia County 4-H Foundation. Florida Partner in 4-H Award, Florida Cooperative Extension Service. Friends of 4-H Award, Florida Association of Extension 4-H Agents. Florida 4-H Hall of Fame Inductee

Dr. M. Langley (Bill) Bell, Jr. is a native and life-long resident of Pensacola, in Escambia County, Florida. In 1942, in his second year at The Citadel, Bill joined the military, along with his entire class. He flew in bombers over Europe. In 1943 Dr. Bell's father, M. Langley Bell, Sr., donated 400 acres to Escambia County 4-H Clubs to be used to provide opportunities for Escambia County's youth through 4-H. Dr. Bell returned to Pensacola as an oral surgeon after the war and immediately followed in his father's footsteps as a devoted 4-H supporter. Most recently he was instrumental in a land sale which will help fund Escambia County's 4-H programming for many years to come.

Hometown: Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida
Nominated by: Florida 4-H Year
Inducted: 2003

"The tremendous support and success of 4-H and the Extension Service must rely on Volunteers and Staff, who organize the great advance of children to their educational rewards."



Dr. Bell helping 4-H youth with potting seedling trees.