

Missouri



Nelson Trickey
Missouri 4-H Assistant Director

Home: Columbia, MO

Inducted: 2005

Major 4-H Efforts: Served as Missouri 4-H Assistant Director until retirement in 1985. Served as a trustee of the Missouri 4-H Foundation for 19 years and helped raise over \$1 million for Missouri 4-H.

Significant Honors: Distinguished Service Awards from both NAE4-HA and FFA, Missouri 4-H Alumni Award, Friend of IFYE Award University of Missouri Distinguished Alumni Award and many others. The Missouri 4-H Foundation created the Nelson Trickey 4-H Bridge Builder Award, with Trickey as the first recipient, given annually to an individual or organization that builds bridges to create positive connections for young people in their community.

After 36 years with the University of Missouri Extension Service, retirement for Nelson Trickey has been spent volunteering his time and expert talent for several worthwhile organizations throughout the state. Since retirement from 4-H in 1985, Nelson has personally secured over one million dollars for the Missouri 4-H Foundation and 25 million dollars for the American Cancer Society. As a husband, father, grandfather, Sunday school teacher, community volunteer, American Red Cross blood donor and decorated WWII veteran, Nelson Trickey is a class act all the way. Nelson's retirement motto is simple, "I would rather wear out than rust out."

Nelson served for 19 years as a trustee for the 4-H Foundation. In Nelson's honor, the board of trustees of the foundation has created the Nelson Trickey 4-H Bridge Builder Award. Trickey is the first recipient of this award. The award is given annually to an individual or organization that builds bridges to create positive connections for young people in their community.