

# Accomplishments

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What do you have to accomplish to get this "double-bash" and have an ice cream flavor named after you?

Just look at what Lawrence D. Muller accomplished:

✓ Well-known grazing expert Eric Kolver, Dexcel Company, noted that Muller is the "champion of pasture-based dairying in the U.S.," he said during a video played for those who attended the Muller symposium. He called Muller the "voice of reason to balance the views of the proponents and critics of grass-based dairying."

✓ According to Kolver, the years 1990-2000 were critical in pasture research, and Muller's work put him "10 years ahead of pasture-based studies," compared to the rest of the world.

✓ Muller became known for his work in examining ways to improve pasture quality and increase profits. Producers now have a better understanding of forage for cows on all size operations.

✓ Muller studied milk response to supplements. Studies examined the flow of nutrients to the small intestine and the supply of carbohydrates and the observation of ruminal nutritional requirements.

✓ Muller was at the forefront of research into how amounts of CLA doubled in content on grass-based systems compared to conventional TMRs.

✓ Muller was influential in research in improving the health properties of milk.

✓ At Penn state, Muller was instrumental in establishing the annual Nittany Fall Classic Sale.

✓ Muller was the co-founder of the Dairy Club's annual field trips throughout the country and the world.

Larry lives with wife Delores (Dee) in Lemont. The Mullers have a son and daughter. Mark, 30, has a career in advertising and lives in Orlando, Fla. Marcia, 28, is a speech pathologist.

Larry grew up on a dairy founded by parents Ralph and Corinne in 1924 in Washington, located in north central Illinois. (Nearest city: Peoria.) Muller was a member of the Washington FFA and the Team-sters 4-H clubs, and was graduated from Washington High School.

The farm where he grew up, in Tazewell County, is operated now by his brother, Dick.

Muller received his bachelor's and master's degrees in dairy science from the University of Illinois.

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