## **Legend: Raymond McMullen** (1911 – 1969)



When receiving the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of County Agriculture Agents, Ray McMullen was cited for using "sound management ability, sound thinking and good judgment" in effectively organizing a beef-calf marketing program that expanded beyond his district (Otsego and Montmorency Counties) and into four other counties within 10 years. The citation also credited him for a successful 4-H Club and cooperative work with soil conservation districts and commercial forest users in getting 1.5 million trees planted annually for several years.

Ray married Marjorie in 1937 and graduated from Michigan State University in 1940. He managed the Gold River Ranch near Cheboygan before joining the Extension Service in 1942, where he would work for the rest of his career. They raised three daughters; Maureen, Peggy, and Marilyn in Gaylord after settling here in 1947.

After spending their lives investing in the community through volunteering in groups such as 4-H, Eastern Stars, Kiwanis, Masonic Lodge, Farm Bureau, Grange and church, Ray died of cancer in 1969.

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