

Hall of Honor Inductees 2021

Randy Beckey, of Blissfield, Michigan was the main force in the establishment of Blissfield Bluegrass on the River. He organized a jam and asked the Village to allow it in Bachmayer Park. That idea has grown to the free event you are enjoying today. Thanks To Randy for his foresight and support over the years!



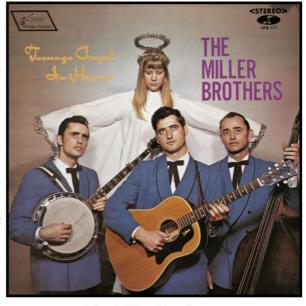


Farrell M. Clark with Jim and Jesse McReynolds

Beginning in 1974, Farrell M. Clark traveled to festivals in Michigan presenting bluegrass gospel as F.M. Clark and the Faith Singers. Farrell also assisted Bob White and Fred Ellis promote the Milan Bluegrass Festival, carrying flyers to shows in the area. Farrell was born in Alabama in 1926 and passed away in Toledo Ohio in October, 2004. He came to Toledo in 1958 and performed with L.B. Siler and the Round Mountain Boys.

Originally from KY, James and Earl Miller moved to Detroit for auto plant work in the late 1960s. Brother Charlie lived in Indiana but commuted to Detroit for shows. The band consisted of James (banjo), Charlie (guitar), and Earl (bass), along with Nolan Faulkner (mandolin) and Herman (fiddle). Lewis Thev released four albums from 1971 to 75. By 1976, the brothers had moved to but James Indiana. continued to record with

various family members until



The Miller Brothers

his death in 2009. Earl passed away in 1997. Charlie continues to occasionally perform with the Hard Tyme Bluegrass Band, which includes members of his extended family.

Sandy and her late husband Dick Neff have been fixtures in the Michigan bluegrass scene for many years. Often volunteering to assist at the gate of festivals, and in other behind-thescenes tasks. They often included their grandchildren in their festival trips, exposing a new generation to bluegrass music.



Dick and Sandy Neff

Hall of Honor

Tim Fllis

Richard "Dick" Dieterle

Class of 2019

Class of 2020

Jimmy Thompson.

Ruby Bennett

David Conley, Sr.

George Kilbreath

Greg Cahill

Duane Estep

Jimmy Kittle

The RFD bovs

Gary Adams, Sr.

Marvin "Red" Ellis

Oscar N. McKiney

Ralph Mullins

Bruce Pettinger

Wes Pettinger

Roger Schultze

Randy Beckey

The Miller Brothers

Dick & Sandy Neff

Farrell Clark

Sandy Schultze/Pettinger

Class of 2021

John Coffey

Jerry Eicher

Jim LaPrad

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Class of 2016	Roy Cobb

Dana Cupp, Jr. Michael Adams

John Bayerl

David Blakney

Bobby Hutch

Larry McDaniel

Nick Mladjan

John Morris

Burke Cole

Dana Cupp, Sr.

Leroy Drumm

Fred Ellis

Pete Goble

Cayce & Ruth Kiger

Roy & Fay McGinnis

Cranford (Ford) Nix

Bill & Pam Warren

Mitchel Manns

Freddie Newby

Ralph Paige

Virgil Shouse

Robert White

Bob Campbell Jimmy Campbell

Virgie McClearen

Jim & Fay Wilder

Jerry & Ada Yates

Gary & Maggie Bilby

Class of 2017

Class of 2018

Tom Laing Gordon L. Lamb