

Louise Littlejohn Inducted into Alabama 4-H Wall of Fame

Louise Littlejohn, a retired St. Clair County Extension agent, was posthumously inducted into the Alabama 4-H Wall of Fame Nov. 13 at the Alabama 4-H and Youth Development Center in Columbiana. Littlejohn was one of 24 inductees honored during special ceremonies at the Alabama 4-H Environmental Science Education Center. She was nominated by Lee Ann Clark.

The Alabama 4-H Wall of Fame recognizes individuals and organizations that have had a significant effect on the 4-H Youth Development program, its members and leaders. The Alabama 4-H Club Foundation, Inc., and Alabama 4-H honors, remembers and pays tribute to those who influenced the lives of Alabama youth by their commitment “To Make the Best Better.”

Littlejohn served as a county Extension agent for 4-H and Home Economics from 1967 until her retirement in 1979.

She attended Lincoln Memorial University, received a bachelor’s degree in home economics education from the University of Alabama and pursued graduate work at Auburn University.

She taught students by example and gave lessons on a broad variety of subjects from bed making to healthy eating. Her encouragement, kinds words and time spent with youth instilled in them a love for 4-H and for her.

A staunch supporter of women’s rights in the workplace, she litigated in Federal Court for the parity of equal pay for women in the Extension Service, which agents still benefit from today.

She was inducted into the Auburn University Home Economics Hall of Fame in 1997.

Her sons, Dan and Joe Littlejohn, accepted the award for their Mother.



Pictured (l to r): Dr. Gaines Smith, Extension Director; sons—Dan & Joe Littlejohn; and Dr. Lamar Nichols, 4-H Assistant Director