MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

ON THE DEATH OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS HAROLD E. CALBERT

Harold E. Calbert entered this world in Edinburg, Indiana on 20 March 1918, a proud event for his parents Ethel and James Calbert. Harold married Mary Jane Fargo on 5 September 1942 and they produced three children, Bonnie, Barbara and Brad.

Harold successfully completed a B.A. degree in biological chemistry from Allegheny College, Meadville, PA in 1939, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in food science from U.W.-Madison in 1947 and 1948, respectively. Between receiving his B.A. degree and work on advanced degrees he served two years (1939-1941) as district game protector for the Pennsylvania Game Commission, six years (1939-1945) in the U.S. Army during World War II where he served in Africa and Italy and rose to the rank of major, and one year (1945-46) as an instructor of chemistry at the University of Florence, Florence, Italy. In 1948 he joined the faculty of the then Department of Dairy and Food Industry of this university as an instructor, was promoted to assistant professor in 1950, to associate professor in 1952, to professor in 1960 and served as department chair from 1961-1977. He was awarded emeritus status in 1980 and died 28 August 2000.

During his early years on the faculty, he served as an extension specialist. From 1953 onward, he held a teaching/research appointment. He taught many courses related to dairy products, participated actively in short courses, and conducted research and supervised numerous graduate students in the areas of fluid milk processing, sanitation, quality control and dairy chemistry. During the late years of his career, he became deeply involved with research on aquaculture. During his university career, he also served in a U.S. Army Quartermaster reserve unit where he rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Harold participated in many professional activities outside the department. At the college level, he served on the Dean's Advisory Committee, the Executive Committee, the Curriculum Committee, and a task force that developed "A Blueprint for 1980," which he chaired. At the university level, he served on the University Industry-Research Policy Committee. At the state level, he served as an advisor on policy matters relating to the dairy industry. At the national level, he chaired the Environmental Sciences Training Committee of the Public Health Service and served on the National Advisory Urban and Industrial Health Council of the same agency. For the National Research Council, he served as a panelist on the joint Argentina-U.S. Study Group on Food Technology and as a member of the Military Personnel Subsistence Committee. Internationally, he traveled to Africa, the Caribbean, and Central and South America where he assisted with development of appropriate food research organizations and with solving problems related to the food industry.

Harold was a member of numerous food-related professional societies. He served on many committees of the American Dairy Science Association and was president in 1972. He also served terms as president of the Wisconsin Dairy Technology Society and the Wisconsin Association of Milk and Food Sanitarians.

Public service was important to Harold. Locally he was active in the Downtown Kiwanis Club where he served a term as president. At the state level, he served a term as chair of "Dairy Month."

Harold's accomplishments have been honored repeatedly. The Wisconsin State Journal selected him for their section on "Know Your Madisonian" and he received citations of outstanding service from governmental agencies and foreign countries. He was awarded "fellow" status in the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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Harold also found some time for leisure activities, with hunting, fishing and managing his Christmas tree farm being among those that he found most enjoyable.

The Department of Food Science acknowledges with deep gratitude the outstanding contributions that Harold E. Calbert made to this university, to the State of Wisconsin and to the nation.

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