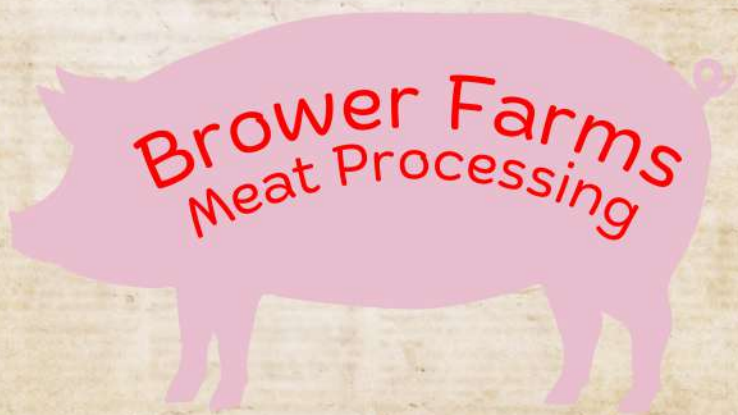


THE STORY OF BROWER FARMS



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TO YOURS.



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THE COUPLE BEHIND THE FARM



**BROWER FARMS WAS FOUNDED IN
1987 BY DAVE & SUSAN BROWER WHO
WERE MARRIED ON AUGUST 23, 1985.**



DAVE AND SUSAN
MET AT A FRIENDS
WEDDING IN 1984.



DAVE PROPOSED
TO HER LATER
THAT YEAR.



EARLY BEGINNINGS



DAVE AND SUSAN BOUGHT THE FARM AND THE LAND FROM FARM CREDIT IN 1987. IT WAS RUN DOWN AND THEY KNEW IT WAS GOING TO BE A LOT OF WORK TO GET THE FARM TO WHERE IT NEEDED TO BE.



DAVE AND SUSAN DRIVING THE SKID-STEER THAT THEY RENTED TO CLEAN OUT THE BARN.



"THERE WAS SO MUCH DIRT IN THE POLE BARN THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS CONCRETE."
-SUSAN





WE STARTED OFF BY
RAISING PIGS. HERE IS A
PHOTO OF THE VERY FIRST
LITTER OF PIGS BORN AT
THE FARM!

QUICKLY, THE DIRT-
COVERED POLE BARN WAS
TRANSFORMED INTO
NUMEROUS PENS FILLED
WITH PIGS!



THE BARN THEN



BEFORE THE FARM WAS BROWER FARMS, IT WAS A DAIRY FARM. THIS BARN WAS WHERE ALL THE MILKING WAS DONE, THE LITTLE ROOM IN THE FRONT WAS THE MILK HOUSE.



HERE IS THE WEST SIDE OF THE OLD DAIRY BARN ABOVE. THIS SITE HAS BEEN USED FOR MANY DIFFERENT THINGS, IT IS NOW AN INDOOR AND OUTDOOR PEN FOR SHEEP AND GOATS.



DAVE SHOWING PEOPLE AROUND THE FARM, THIS IS THE MAIN FLOOR OF THE OLD DAIRY BARN WHERE WE USED TO KEEP FARROWING CRATES FOR BABY PIGS.



THEY FIXED UP THIS BARN AND IT WAS ORIGINALLY AN APARTMENT FOR THE PREVIOUS OWNERS BUT EVENTUALLY, IT WAS REMOVED AND IS NOW PARKING.

THE BARN NOW



HERE IS THE POLE BARN NOW! IT IS THE CENTRAL HUB OF THE FARM. THERE ARE COWS, PIGS, SHEEP, AND GOATS IN HERE. IT ALSO HOUSES PART OF THE PROCESSING FACILITIES.



IN 2023 WE ADDED THE LITTLE WHITE ADDITION TO THE LEFT OF THE BARN ENTRANCE. THIS IS THE OFFICE FOR THE FARM NOW.



THIS BARN IS THE EQUIPMENT AND TOOL SHED. THIS IS WHERE WE HAVE SOME OF OUR EQUIPMENT. MOST OF THE MAINTENANCE HAPPENS HERE AS WELL.



AS OF LATE, WE HAVE REALIZED WE NEEDED MORE BARN SPACE SO WE HAVE BUILT A LOT OF NEW BARN.

THIS BARN WAS BUILT WITH THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF HOLDING SQUARE BALES AND ROUND BALES. IT ALSO HOLDS EQUIPMENT WHEN NEEDED.





TO MEET THE NEEDS OF
OUR CUSTOMERS, WE HAD
TO BUILD NEW BARNs FOR
COWs.

WE CALL THIS ONE THE
“LITTLE COW BARN” IT HAS
FOUR REGULAR PENS WITH
A SMALL HOLDING PEN IN
THE FRONT.



THE BARN TO THE LEFT
MAY LOOK LIKE IT IS THE
SAME BARN AS ABOVE.
HOWEVER, IT IS MUCH
LARGER.

THIS BARN LIKE THE OTHER HAS
FOUR PENS, THEY ARE MUCH
LARGER, ALLOWING FOR MORE
SPACE FOR THE COWs. THIS BARN
ALSO HAS A SCALE TO MAKE
SALES OF COWs EASIER.



DOGS ON THE FARM



THIS WAS THE FIRST FARM DOG, CHUCK. HE SHOWED UP ONE DAY AND DECIDED TO MAKE THE FARM HIS HOME.



THIS DOG WAS BUDDY. HE WAS GIVEN TO US AS A PUPPY BY A NEIGHBOR. HE LIVED HERE UNTIL HE DIED OF OLD AGE.



TO THE RIGHT IS OUR CURRENT DOG SALLY. SHE HAS REACHED CELEBRITY STATUS AND IS A FAVORITE AMONG THE FAMILY AND CUSTOMERS.



BLAST FROM THE PAST



DAVE AND SUSAN WITH THEIR OLD GRAIN TRUCK. IT WAS MULTIPURPOSE AND THEY WOULD USE IT TO MOVE ANIMALS AS WELL.



DAVE NEXT TO HIS BRAND NEW LIVESTOCK TRAILER. HE STILL USES IT TODAY!

DAVE NEXT TO HIS BRAND NEW 1991 DODGE TRUCK. THE LIVESTOCK TRAILER UNFORTUNATELY JACK-KNIFED AND TOTALED THE TRUCK.





DAVE OUT IN THE BARN WITH SAVANNAH SHOWING HER THE BABY PIGS.



DAVE SHOWING OFF THE ORIGINAL PIG NURSERY. IT WAS RATHER ADVANCED FOR THE TIME.



OUR ORIGINAL LOGO FEATURED A PINK PIG, WHICH HAS HAD MANY DIFFERENT VARIATIONS OVER THE YEARS. THE PINK PIG REMAINS A STAPLE, EVOLVING INTO EITHER A PLAIN PIG OR ONE THAT SIMPLY BEARS THE NAME 'BROWER'S'.



OUR CUSTOM PROCESSING



THIS IS OUR MAIN
STOREFRONT AT THE FARM
WHERE CUSTOMERS COME
TO PICK UP THEIR CUSTOM
PROCESSING ORDERS OR
SHOP FROM OUR RETAIL
SELECTION.

WE KEEP FRESH STEAKS,
BRATWURST, CHICKEN, AND
SO MUCH MORE.



ON TOP OF FRESH MEATS,
THERE IS A VAST MAJORITY
OF FROZEN CUTS. WE EVEN
SMOKE OUR OWN SNACK
STICKS AND JERKY!



CUSTOM PROCESSING IS A HUGE PART OF OUR BUSINESS. WE PROCESS ALMOST EVERYTHING YOU CAN FIND ON A FARM. WE MOSTLY PROCESS PIGS AND COWS. WE EVEN PROCESS ANIMALS YOU CAN FIND IN THE WOODS, SUCH AS DEER, BEARS, AND ELK.



PIG ROASTING

WE GAINED A LOT OF OUR POPULARITY FROM PIG ROAST. PEOPLE WOULD CALL FROM ALL OVER THE STATE WANTING US TO COOK A PIG FOR THEM.



UNFORTUNATELY WE NO LONGER OFFER PIG ROAST BECAUSE OF CUSTOM PROCESSING BECOMING SO POPULAR.

ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT DO PIG ROAST ANYMORE WE STILL OFFER TRAYS OF PULLED PORK, AND OTHER SMOKED MEATS.



EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS

RECENTLY WE OPENED A NEW LOCATION AT ROMA VILLAGE PIZZA ON THE CORNER OF CLEAR LAKE AND M53. IT HAS HELPED US TO EXPAND OUR REACH TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. OF COURSE WE USED THE ICONIC PINK PIG SIGN TO LET PEOPLE KNOW WE ARE OPEN.



ALTHOUGH THIS LOCATION IS STILL A WORK IN PROGRESS AND THERE IS A LOT OF WORK TO DO WE ARE STILL GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

HERE WE FOCUS ON HAVING MORE FRESH MEAT AVAILABLE FOR THE CAMPERS GOING UP NORTH.



THE NEXT GENERATIONS

SAVANNAH AND BOB HAVE FIVE KIDS PARKER, ELI, NOAH, GRANT, AND ISABELLA. THEY BOTH WORK ON THE FARM TO HELP CARRY ON THE LEGACY.



HOLLY AND JONNNY HAVE FOUR KIDS LOGAN, LACY, JOANNA, AND LITTLE JONNNY. HOLLY WORKS AT THE FARM AND JONNNY WORKS FOR HIS FAMILY'S CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS.





MEREDITH AND ZACHARY HAD THEIR FIRST DAUGHTER ADALYNN. MEREDITH IS A VET TECH AND ZACH WORKS IN A CONSTRUCTION UNION.



JACKSON COMPLETED HIS BACHELOR'S IN HISTORY AND IS GETTING HIS MASTER'S IN EDUCATION TO TEACH HIGH SCHOOL HISTORY.

RACHEL WORKS AS A MATH TEACHER AT DUNDEE HIGH SCHOOL AND HER HUSBAND KRISTOPHER WORKS AS AN ENGINEER.





THE AERIAL PHOTO ABOVE, TAKEN IN 2024, OFFERS THE LATEST DEPICTION OF THE FARM. BELOW, YOU'LL FIND A SNAPSHOT FROM 1987, THE YEAR DAVE AND SUSAN PURCHASED THE PROPERTY. OVER THE YEARS, THE FARM HAS UNDERGONE SIGNIFICANT TRANSFORMATION, BECOMING NEARLY UNRECOGNIZABLE. DESPITE THESE VISUAL CHANGES, THE FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES OF RAISING ANIMALS ETHICALLY AND COMPASSIONATELY HAVE REMAINED UNCHANGED. FAMILY VALUES STILL HOLD STRONG TO THIS DAY. OUR SLOGAN IS "ONLY THE BEST FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS."



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