

## John E. Keefus Memorial Scholarship

Mr. Keefus was born and grew up in the family home west of Howe. After graduating from Purdue University in 1931, he worked for the United States Forest Service in Wyoming and later in Arkansas where he met and married Pauline Porter Keefus in 1936. He had other Forest Service assignments in Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and West Virginia.

Returning to his boyhood home in 1946, Mr. Keefus farmed until his retirement. In 1996 the farm was designated a "Hoosier Homestead Farm" for having been owned by the same family for over 100 years.

Always interested in young people, Mr. Keefus taught forestry in 4-H Camp, Jackson's Mill, West Virginia. He encouraged his daughter, Jane, a ten-year 4-H member. Additionally, Mr. Keefus served as treasurer of the LaGrange County 4-H Fair for many years.

Family and friends of Mr. Keefus have presented the Indiana 4-H Foundation with this scholarship endowment in his memory and it will benefit a LaGrange County 4-H member each year.