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Dell M. Allen received a B.S. degree from K-State in 1961, M.S. from the University of Idaho in 1963, and Ph.D. from Michigan State University in 1966. He served on K-State's AS&I faculty 22 years and received numerous K-State and national teaching awards. He coached two National Champion Meats Judging Teams. He was hired by Cargill Meat Solutions and advanced to VP of Technical Services and Food Safety. He served as President of the American Meat Science Association and later received the highest award given by AMSA. He is past President of K-State's Livestock and Meat Industry Council. He received awards from the National Meat Association, USDA FSIS, American Meat Institute, and inducted into the inaugural class of the Meat Industry Hall of Fame. Dell is widely known and respected in the academic community and industry, and has consulted with various companies since retirement. He and his wife Joyce greatly enjoy their two grandchildren.