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Randy lives just north of Elkton, South Dakota with his wife Jennifer, and sons Emerson and Nolan. He is managing partner and general manager of Ash Grove Dairy, LLP located just over the state line near Lake Benton, Minn. A native of Washington state, Randy grew up in the dairy business being involved in 4-H and the Junior Holstein Association programs from a young age. He graduated from WSU (where he was on the dairy cattle judging team) with a degree in agricultural economics, and began his career in dairy, first with an A.I. company in California’s central valley, then in Wisconsin as a herd manager before settling in South Dakota to own and manage a dairy.

Ash-Grove Dairy, LLP is a Holstein dairy farm focused on producing high quality milk, as well as breeding top-notch Registered Holsteins. Randy has bred or developed several Excellent and hundreds of Very Good cows, and has enjoyed exhibiting cattle at local, state, and national shows. His dairy judging career has provided the opportunity to judge shows in Australia and Brazil, with the highlight to-date being the Quito National Show in Quito, Ecuador in 2012.

Top five most significant judging experiences:

- Feria Internacional Expo Agro XVI – Arequipa, Peru 2018
- Quito National Holstein & Brown Swiss Shows – Quito, Ecuador 2012
- Minnesota State Junior Holstein Show – Arlington, MN 2011
- District 4 Holstein Show – Worthington, MN 2017 & 2014
- Expo Batavo Holstein Show – Parana, Brazil 1998

Besides judging type conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship