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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- 2015 SD State Fair
- 2022 ND State Fair
- 2022 Kansas State Fair
- 2024 District V Holstein Show
- 2024 Meeker County Fair

Luke was born and raised on a small dairy farm in Hutchinson, MN along with his parents and three sisters. The family continues their strong history participating in and supporting several agricultural organizations such as 4-H, FFA, Holstein association, and more. After high school, Luke attended the University of Minnesota and graduated with a degree in Animal Science. He was active in Gopher Dairy Club, dairy cattle judging, and other campus activities. His judging highlight was being high individual at the Intercollegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at World Dairy Expo in 2006. After graduation, he worked for Semex as a mating specialist and sales representative for 9+ years. In 2018, he joined Merck Animal Health as a territory manager, where he still works today. He is still involved in the day-to-day operations on the family farm today. The herd consists of primarily Registered Holsteins along with a few Registered Jerseys, Brown Swiss, and Ayrshires. One of his herd favorites is his 12-year-old Holstein, Wirtland Atwood Rya EX-94. Rya was fortunate enough to win Grand Champion at the 2022 MN State Holstein Show and has numerous other winnings and highlights in her show career. To top all this, Luke married his sweetheart, Sarah Fletcher of Atlanta, GA, on May 4th, 2024. Above all, Luke keeps his faith a priority and is an active member of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Hutchinson.