Member Spotlight

This week, GAC visited Bulloch Fertilizer and Anderson’s General Store in Statesboro, GA. We sat down with Raybon, Mike and Jon Marsh Anderson, three generations who all work hard to continue the strong reputation of service and quality products that Bulloch Fertilizer is known for. After working with the USDA in the 1950s and early 1960s, Raybon started Bulloch Fertilizer after seeing a need for a service-minded agricultural company. They have specialized in custom fertilizer blends, spreading, GPS mapping, soil samples and analysis for farming operations, golf/sports turf, and lawn care since 1963. They also have a dealer business with bagged products. Today, Raybon’s son, Mike, runs the day-to-day operations at Bulloch Fertilizer. Mike’s children, Jon Marsh and Lawson, are working at the family’s businesses while they both attend college.

Anderson’s General Store, which is a division of Bulloch Fertilizer, moved to its current location on Highway 80 in Statesboro in 2005 and became a Purina Premier Dealer. Anderson’s carries many popular brands, and is a one-stop-shop for clothing, footwear, hunting and outdoor gear, pet and animal products, gifts, toys and of course, feed and seed. Prior to 2005, the general store was located at the Bulloch Fertilizer Plant in downtown Statesboro.

In 1983, Raybon joined GAC and was asked to serve on the GAC Board of Directors with a 3-year term, however he agreed to a 1-year term. That term turned into over 30 years on the GAC Board as well as serving as a longtime Trustee for AgriTrust of Georgia where he is currently Chairman. Along with then-GAC president, Gary Black and other GAC Board Members, Raybon was an integral part of starting legislative representation as a benefit of GAC Membership. Seeing a need for affordable workers compensation insurance, that group was also instrumental in the formation of AgriTrust of Georgia in 1993.

GAC wouldn’t be where we are today, without Raybon’s contributions, and longtime members like Bulloch Fertilizer and Anderson’s General Store.