Dear MACAA Members & Colleagues.

Tribute and Memorial Service
T. Milton Nelson, long time “Ag Reporter” for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources passed on February 19, 2014.

Milt joined the AGNR family in 1970 and retired after a thirty year career. His first story published in the *Diamondback* was during the Vietnam riots on campus. Two AGNR students who are also members of the agriculture fraternity, Alpha Gamma Rho, raised the flag in front of the Main Administration after it had been taken down by the protesters. They then protected the flag pole until the crowd dispersed. The *Washington Post* picked up Milt’s story and the young college students were invited to meet the president at the White House. Charlie Blocher and David Simpson continued to cross paths with Milt throughout their careers, as did so many AGNR students, faculty and staff.

The faculty and staff biographical files and other subject matter materials, conference proceedings, etc. that Milt accumulated throughout his career are housed at the campus archives in Hornbake Library under the watchful eye of campus archivist, Anne Turkos. Milt was indebted to Anne for her attention to accuracy in cataloging these treasures of AGNR history.

A private funeral was held on February 24, in Columbia, MD. A memorial service was held on March 22 in Bel Air, MD.

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