

***2023 FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR  
DON & CATHERINE PATRICK***

Don and Catherine Patrick are longtime residents of Leavenworth County and live in Tonganoxie. They have two children, Elizabeth and Justin. Elizabeth lives in Falls City, NE with her husband Jesse Vollmer and their son Colton. Justin lives in Anchorage, AK. Elizabeth and Justin were both active members of 4H and FFA.

Don and Catherine have been in the cattle business for the last 30 years and own 168 acres of pastureland and 57 acres of hay ground. They put-up brome hay on an additional 210 acres, and their herd consists of 65 Simmental cross cow-calf pairs.

Don owns and operates a trucking company where he hauls cattle, grain, and hay. Catherine, a K-State graduate, works in the transportation field as a Civil Engineer.

They are both members of the Leavenworth County Beef Improvement Association where Catherine was a past board member, and both are members of the Leavenworth County 4H Foundation where Catherine is a current board member.

They are also members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Tonganoxie.