

## Thanks to the 2020 Kansas Ag Heroes!

## **Jason Elliott**

Jason Elliott's agriculture roots run deep in Kansas where he was born and raised on a dairy farm. His appreciation for the industry has never faltered and has led to raising cattle, hogs, chickens, goats and diversified crop farming. Fast forward a few years and my husband, Jason Elliott, has now added in a partnership in an organic and Non-GMO grain business, providing locally sourced commodities to customers ranging in size from backyard growers to commercial operations. The COVID pandemic brought a surge in consumers looking for food products in which they could trace their origins. Needless to say, during this time, Jason met the increasing demands of his customers because of his love for agriculture and commitment to sustainability. He worked tirelessly to ensure that myself and our three children were provided for and that the families he served were able to supply meat to consumers when conventional options proved scarce. His time was consumed with



making custom blended fresh feed, delivering Non-GMO soybean meal and oil, and managing employees in a rural area where jobs are hard to come by. All the while, he found time to harvest wheat, bale hay, and plant soybeans and milo on our own acreage in order to continue the cycle that agriculture exudes. While I consider him a hero because of his commitment to our family, it goes far beyond that and the onset of the pandemic has proven even more so his caring attitude for those that he so selflessly.

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