

Louisvillian of the Year

First bestowed in 1950, the AAF-Louisville’s “Louisvillian of the Year” is the oldest award of its kind in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This outstanding achievement is given to publicly recognize generous personal contributions made to the community in the areas of civic, educational or business progress in recent years. Selected by the previous recipients, AAF-Louisville is pleased to list those men and women who have earned this prestigious award.

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| 1950 | Tom Balentine | 1987 | Mary Bingham |
| 1951 | Bruce Hoblitzell | 1988 | Henry V. Heuser |
| 1952 | Walter Girdler | 1989 | Sharon Darling |
| 1953 | Archie Cochran | 1990 | Michael N. Harreld |
| 1954 | B.J. Lenihan | 1991 | Woodford P. Porter |
| 1955 | George W. Norton, Jr. | 1992 | Christy Brown |
| 1956 | William C. Embry | | Owsley Brown II |
| 1957 | Sidney Rosenblum | 1993 | Stan Curtis |
| 1958 | Lee P. Miller | 1994 | Dr. Donald Swain |
| 1959 | Robert P. Bonnie | 1995 | Mason C. Rudd |
| 1960 | Mark Ethridge | 1996 | Malcolm B. Chancey, Jr. |
| 1961 | Dr. Philip Davidson, Jr. | 1997 | Sister Eileen M. Egan |
| 1962 | Craig Potter Hazelet | | Mayor Jerry Abramson |
| 1963 | Barry Bingham, Sr. | 1998 | Tom Meeker |
| 1964 | Henry Y. Offutt | 1999 | Muhammad Ali |
| 1965 | Dr. John P. Bell | 2000 | Charlie W. Johnson |
| | Dr. Lovick C. Miller | 2001 | C. Edward Glasscock |
| | Mitchell Nasser | 2002 | Dr. Robert Dowling |
| | George Underhill | | Dr. Laman Gray |
| 1966 | Mrs. Mary Helen Byck | 2003 | Minx Auerbach |
| 1967 | B. Hudson Milner | | Bill Samuels, Jr. |
| 1968 | Rev. Msgr. Alfred F. Horrigan | 2004 | Tom Jurich |
| 1969 | Mrs. Charles W. Allen, Jr. | | Ben Richmond |
| 1970 | John H. Hardwick | 2005-6 | Ulysses "Junior" Bridgeman |
| 1971 | Woodrow M. Strickler | | Mary H. Griffith |
| 1972 | Moritz Von Bomhard | 2007 | Archbishop Thomas C. Kelly |
| | Jon Jory | | Rev. Dr. Kevin Cosby |
| | Jorge Mester | 2008 | Alice Houston |
| | A. Franklin Page | 2009 | Sam Swope |
| 1973 | Wilson W. Wyatt | 2010 | Dr. James Ramsey |
| 1974 | Jane Morton Norton | 2011 | Bernard Trager |
| 1975 | J. Van Dyke Norman, Jr. | 2012 | George Fischer |
| 1976 | Baylor Landrum | 2013 | Rick Pitino |
| 1977 | Maurice D.S. Johnson | 2014 | Tori Murden McClure |
| 1978 | Julian Carroll | 2015 | John Schnatter |
| 1979 | Al Schneider | 2016 | Mayor Dave Armstrong |
| 1980 | Gordon B. Davidson | 2017 | Steve Trager |
| 1981 | J. David Grissom | 2018 | Mary Gwen Wheeler |
| 1982 | Wendell Cherry | | David Jones, Jr. |
| | David Jones | 2019 | Diane Porter |
| 1983 | Dan Ulmer | 2020 | Ed Hamilton |
| | A. Ray Smith | 2021-2 | Front Line Healthcare Workers |
| 1984 | Eugene V. Petrik | 2023-4 | Sandra Frazier |
| 1985 | H. Charles Grawmeyer | 2025 | Carolle Jones and Kenneth Clay |
| 1986 | Thomas Simons | | |