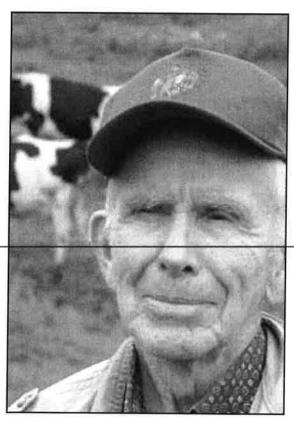
## Know a Beginning Farmer Who Believes in Food Sovereignty?

FFD is Now Seeking Nominations for the **2023 JOHN KINSMAN PRIZE!** 



John Kinsman

Born in Lime Ridge, WI in 1926, John was a WWII Veteran, early organic farmer pioneer, and active in the Civil Rights Struggle. John was among the first to speak out against GMO's, helping to expose Monsanto's rBGH Research at UW- Madison and was an outspoken critic of corporate globalization, participating in the 1999 Seattle WTO Protest. John also traveled widely representing U.S. family farmers through La Via Campesina and was part of the 2007 Nyeleni International Food Sovereignty Forum in Mali.

Since 2011, Family Farm Defenders has distributed a total of \$36,000 in grants to nearly 20 beginning farmers. The JOHN KINSMAN PRIZE is named in honor of John Kinsman, one of the founders and longtime President of Family Farm Defenders, who was a tireless champion of civl rights, social justice and Food Sovereignty, both in the U.S. and around the world.

To be considered for the prize, nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Engaged in own farm for less than five (5) years.
- Engaged in small scale livestock and/or vegetable or fruit production.
- 3. Market your products locally.
- 4. Practice sustainable management of natural resources.
- 5. Promote healthy soil.
- 6. Conserve biodiversity.
- 7. Support Food Sovereignty Principles.

Those nomimated will be asked to complete a questionnaire as their application, which will then be reviewed by FFD Board members. Winners will then be publicly recognized as part of an Award Dinner and Ceremony at the FFD Annual Meeting held on Saturday Nov 11th 2023.

If you would like to nominate someone for the 2023 **JOHN KINSMAN PRIZE**, please send their name and contact info to: familyfarmdefenders@yahoo.com

Deadline for nominations is Sept. 30th.

FFD is also looking for sponsors of this year's prize. For more details, Please visit our website: familyfarmdefenders@yahoo.com