

RIO BLANCO COUNTY PIONEERS ASSOCIATION

SPIRIT OF THE PIONEERS AWARD

NOMINATION FORM

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- ***Nominations may be made by anyone in the Rio Blanco County Community*** on behalf of an individual whom they feel best exemplifies the qualities as stated in the purpose of the award.
- ***There are no exclusionary limits on the number of awards that may be presented*** in a given year, as nominees are considered for their worthiness on a case-by-case basis. Nominations are reviewed by a *Spirit of the Pioneers Award* Committee. Honorees will be notified in advance of the reunion to permit them to inform family and friends of their selection so that they may arrange registration to attend the reunion dinner. Honorees and their spouse or significant other will be hosted pro bono by the RBCPA.
- ***Posthumous award nominations*** may be submitted for those who have passed
- ***Nomination forms*** are provided on the RBC Pioneers website [www.rbcpioneers.org] as a downloadable PDF that may be completed online or printed out. Printed Nominations may be mailed to the **RBCPA Box 1113, Meeker CO 81641 to be received by the May 15 deadline date noted on the form.**
- ***Letters of endorsement for the candidate*** are encouraged to be submitted with the nomination.
- ***Deadline for submission*** of the nomination is to be received by **MAY 15.**
- ***Form of Award:*** Honorees will be presented with a color sublimated plaque with a photo of the recipient, and a citation describing the accomplishments of the honoree. A copy of the citation will be included in the dinner program of each guest attending the reunion.
- ***Previous honorees*** include: 2017: Johnny Barton; 2018: Leota Cook and Marjorie Rogers; 2019: Ethel Stone Starbuck; 2022: Ed Coryell; 2022 Posthumous honorees: Connie M. Theos and Bryce W. Purkey.

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check if this is a Posthumous nomination

please type or print clearly

● **Name of Candidate**

Mr/Mrs/Ms First _____ Middle _____ Last _____ Suffix _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

● **Spouse or Significant Other:**

Mr/Mrs/Ms First _____ Middle _____ Last _____ Suffix _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

● **Name of Nominator**

Mr/Mrs/Ms First _____ Middle _____ Last _____ Suffix _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

● **Please Provide a Color Photo of the nominee in digital or high resolution format** for creating the plaque and for use in the program and media publications

● **Narrative:**

Please Provide a narrative discussing the candidates contributions, servant leadership, mentoring, community service, youth advocacy, role modeling, and the positive impact on others. Letters of endorsement from others are appreciated. Please attach additional pages if needed.