The international swine nutrition world lost a leader in February 2007.

For more than 30 years, Dr. Tim Stahly was an innovative and practical swine nutrition researcher and consultant. His research, which focused on the effects that genetics, health status and environmental conditions have on the pig’s requirements for energy, amino acids and B-complex vitamins, led to better diet adjustments and input uses worldwide. Many of the growth and reproductive models available to the swine industry today use information developed by his research. In fact, his research showing that sows nursing large litters had significantly higher amino acid requirements is largely responsible for new feeding standards for lactating sows.

An Iowa State University animal science faculty member since 1991, Tim’s knowledge and manner kept him in high demand professionally. He spoke at technical conferences and symposia in the United States and abroad, giving more than 80 papers and presentations.

Tim was an active member of the American Society for Animal Science, serving as Midwestern Section president, was a member of the ASAS board of directors and served on the editorial board of the Journal of Animal Science. In 1983, he received a patent for improving the metabolic stability and survival of neonatal pigs. In 2000, he received the American Society of Animal Science’s Animal Industry Service Award.

He willingly shared his knowledge with the swine and feed industries, with university colleagues, and with the students privileged to work with him.

We honor the memory of Dr. Tim Stahly through this dedication of the Iowa State University Animal Industry Report 2008.