

Ronald W. Bolton



Ron Bolton grew up on a dairy and swine farm in Oxford County near St. Marys, Ontario.

From 1966-1971 he attended the Ontario Agriculture College graduating with a BSc (Agr) from the University of Guelph in 1971. Following graduation he was employed by OMAFRA in Rainy River District and later Lambton County with responsibilities that included the local 4-H programs, Extension Services and Farm Management Consultations with area farmers. He was enrolled in the MSc program at the University of Guelph in Extension Education from 1972-74.

From 1974-1984 Ron was involved full time with the family farm in Oxford County, which included 75 milk cows, 500 head beef feedlot, and cropping of 900-1,000 acres.

From 1984 to 2009 he was employed by CIBC in several positions, all directed towards agricultural financial services, including as Manager, Agriculture Department, Ontario Regions, with responsibilities to provide agriculture specialty liaison between farm clients and bank officers throughout Ontario.

Since retirement from CIBC, Ron's activities have included being a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Agriculture Hall of Fame, a member and Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the South West Local Health Integration Network (ret), a member of the Ontario 4-H Board of Trustees, (ret), consulting on Succession Planning with farm families, and much traveling with his wife Mary Jo and lots of fun with 10 grandchildren.