

**Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz (Ma – zur – kay – veech)**

**Livestock Judging Biography:**

TAMU Meats Judging Team - 1975

TAMU Livestock Judging Team -1977

TAMU 442 Meats and Livestock Evaluation Team - 1976

USDA-FSQS Meat Grader 1977 - 1978

County Ag Agent, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 1978 - 1998

Professor & Leadership Program Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension 1998 – present

Texas A&M University System Regents Fellow

Club calf producer 1981 to 2011

- Bred over 20 breed champion steers and heifers at Houston and San Antonio Livestock Shows
- Bred over 50 County Grand Champion steers and heifers
- Bred over 200 prospect breed champion steers and heifers

All Breeds Beef Cattle Consultant in selection and genetic mating (market & breeding): Over 80 champions at Houston, San Antonio, Ft. Worth, San Angelo,

Steer Classifier 1981 to present

All Breeding cattle, steer and Jr. heifer Judge 1975 to present

- Judged Beef Cattle in 10 states
- Judged Beef Cattle at all Texas Major Shows for 30 years
- Judged Beef Cattle in numerous county and prospect shows for over 40 years

Initiated and organized the first and second Texas Steer Classification Conference in 1997 and 2006

- Wrote the first guidelines in 2006 for the Texas steer classification standards still used to this day at Houston, San Antonio, Austin and many other state and county shows in Texas. They have been modified in subsequent conferences as breeds were eliminated and the black/red divisions were added.
- Participated in the third and fourth steer classification conference to provide support and historical information for consistency and modernization of the standards

Coached 4-H Livestock Judging Teams 1978 to 2010

- 20 State qualifying 4H livestock judging teams
- 10 National qualifying 4H livestock judging teams
- 1 National title 4H livestock judging team

Beef Cattle Official for the Houston Livestock Show Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest 1995 – present

Approved American Brahman Breeders Association (ABBA) judge and certified in 2016

**Education:**

PhD Animal Science, Texas A&M University 1995

M.Ed. Agriculture Education, Texas Tech University 1986

