

Biography John Edward Lee, Jr.

John E. Lee, Jr. was born and raised on a small farm in West Central Alabama. He graduated from Aliceville, Alabama, High School in 1951. He entered Auburn University in 1951, served in the U.S. Army 1953-1955, and graduated Auburn University in

1957 with a major in Animal Husbandry. He received an MS degree in Agricultural Economics from Auburn University in 1958 and his PhD in Economics from Harvard University in 1969. He is a Fellow of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA).

Professional Employment:

Instructor and Assistant in Agricultural Economics, Auburn University, 1958-59.

Teaching Assistantship, Harvard University, 1961-62

Agricultural Economist, ERS, USDA, 1962-1967

Chief, Agricultural Finance Branch, ERS, USDA 1967-1971

Director, Farm Production Economics Division, ERS, USDA, 1971-73

Director Commodity Economics Division, ERS, USDA, 1973-76

Director, National Economic Analysis Division, ERS, USDA, 1976-81

Administrator, Economic Research Service, USDA, 1981-1993.

Head, Department of Agricultural Economics, Mississippi State University, 1993-2001.

Professor Emeritus and Director Agribusiness Institute, Mississippi State University, 2001-2002

Dr. Lee also has extensive experiences overseas as leader of exchange and review teams. He has authored over 100 professional publications, titles available upon request.