

## **Maple Leaf is Shawano County's 107<sup>th</sup> Barn Quilt**

Shawano County's 107<sup>th</sup> barn quilt is a Maple Leaf pattern that is now displayed on a barn owned by Dale and Linda Wussow, W4031 E. Slab City Road, just south of Bonduel. The quilt, painted in 'John Deere' colors, was a birthday gift to Dale from his and Linda's three children, Dan, Rachel and Sarah.

Dale and Linda chose the Maple Leaf pattern for their quilt because, for decades, Wussow Farms was known for cooking maple syrup. They had a licensed maple syrup operation with a huge evaporator. Steam could be seen rising skyward on top of Slab City hill each spring during maple syrup season.

The farm was homesteaded in 1865 with the newest barn addition completed in 1972. Today the family cash crops the land along with running a large scale custom crop operation.

Dale and Linda's three children were raised on the farm. Today, their son Dan and his wife Teri and their three sons, Brody, Ryley and Cory live on the homestead.

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