

# COOK FAMILY FARM

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This “American Dream” barn quilt block was given to Stanley and Janet Cook by their six children in honor of their 60<sup>th</sup> birthdays.

Here’s the farm history that was shared by the family...

In the 1850’s, the United States government offered land grants to the state of Wisconsin. The first documented ownership of this property was in 1864 by Michael Voy. The barn was built in the early 1900’s. Over the years, the property was farmed by many families from different cultures trying to live the American Dream.

Stanley and Janet Cook were married in 1977 and started living their American Dream farming this land at 8130 Sunshine Road in Lena. In 1985, they officially purchased the farm from Stanley’s parents.

The Cook farm has expanded further into dairy farming and crop production. Currently, Stanley and Janet are farming with their son Nathan, along with help from their grandchildren.

Casey, Candis, Crystal, Charity, and Alisha, and Nathan purchased this barn quilt to honor their parent’s hard work and dedication on their 60<sup>th</sup> birthdays this year in 2016. The children say that Stanley and Janet have always instilled the values of faith, family, and farming in them.

*This quilt block was installed by the Oconto Electric Cooperative in August 2016.*