

Greta Hinds Dajani

Greta is a native of Coffee County and a graduate of Coffee County High School. She has a B.S. degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and was employed by the university upon her graduation.

She was employed by the Tennessee Dept of Human Services to implement the new Food Stamp Program in all ninety-five counties, and she was promoted to the State Director of the Food Stamp Program. She resigned in 1978 and was employed by MDHA, Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency in Nashville, as Director of General Services being responsible for the agency budget, personnel, procurement, audit, and various other programs. Her special assignments included work on various contacts and projects with the Nashville Convention Center and the Titans Stadium. She retired from MDHA in 1999.

In 2006, she was asked to join the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security to help with the driver's licenses program and various other projects. She was the first woman to serve as Deputy Commissioner of the Department and was recognized for building or renovating 25 driver's license offices, which included building the Tullahoma office. In 2011, she retired from the Department.

While working in Nashville for 40 years she drove the 70 miles each way to work because she wanted her 3 children to live and experience life on a farm in Coffee County. Two of her adult children and six grandchildren reside in the county. She continues to operate a beef cattle farm of about 100 cattle in eastern Coffee County.

Over the years, Greta has actively participated in various areas of Coffee County. She was the first woman to be elected president of the Coffee/Grundy County Cattlemen Association and is still very active with the association. In 2000, she served on the committee to develop a proposal to consolidate all three governments of Coffee County. In 2005, Greta received the Farmer of the Year Award from the Manchester Rotary Club. She received the Coffee County Soil Conservation Partner in Conservation Award from the local USDA Service Office.