

## **Former Agricultural Economics Faculty**

### **JAMES C. SNYDER (1930-1974)**

Professor Snyder was an outstanding teacher of both undergraduates and graduate students as well as of businessmen. He was a pioneer in the practical application of management decision models to agribusiness. He successfully developed a compacted matrix approach to solving large and complex computer problems. He paralleled his academic success with the development of a highly respected business management consulting firm. Jim joined the Purdue Agricultural Economics staff in 1957 as an instructor, quickly gaining prominence in the application of modern quantitative decision procedures to the problems of agricultural businesses. From 1954 to 1961 he also served in a part-time Visiting Professor capacity on the faculty of Goshen College. He was named Teacher of the Year for his outstanding under-graduate instruction. He gave freely of his time in several capacities to the Central Presbyterian Church and to the professional organizations with which he was affiliated. B.S. Ontario Agricultural College, 1953; M.S. Purdue, 1956; Ph.D. Purdue, 1962.

