



Vendor Spotlight
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Howard County Farmers' Market

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Hello everyone,

My name is Clark Jordan. I am a retired farmer and now I simply enjoy growing a garden, especially turnip greens, on Jordan Farm. Well, it's not that simple, but I do enjoy it. I was born on August 7, 1938 and grew up in Howard County. My wife, Louise, was born October 31, 1937, and grew up in Ozan. She is affectionately known by the nickname Trixie. We have 1 child, a boy named Clark Junior.

I met Trixie in high school. We were classmates together, we studied together and I courted her for 2 years. We got married in 1957 and we bought a farm in the 60's. We always had 10 to 20 head of cows and made a living selling calves each year. Then I started gardening in the '70s and selling produce to our neighbors. Trixie spends her spare time sewing and baking. She designs beautiful lingerie for ladies.

In 2012 I started hearing people talking about the Farmers' Market. I brought some vegetables to check it out and then got signed up. I now bring turnip greens, okra, cucumbers and squash. I look forward to the market continuing to grow, adding more vendors each year and becoming very successful.

The grandkids in Dallas are very important to us - Dedron is 38, Obie is 35, Ebonie and Nick are 28. We visit as often as we can. And I have a hobby shop working with wood. I make gun cabinets and bird houses. My first project was a picnic table.

My favorite vegetables are squash and pinto beans, however, most all vegetables are on my list of favorite foods. Especially my home-grown vegetables. If anyone reading this thinks they might like to grow a garden - my advice is to start small. If you start too large, you'll get overwhelmed and maybe give up.

