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Vale Mr John Bennett AM – Australian farming legend

I extend my deepest sympathies to Mrs Connie Bennett and her family on the passing of her beloved husband of 58-years, Mr John Bennett AM.

John Bennett was a mighty man. The Ashgrove Farms and Ashgrove Cheese co-founder's contribution to the Australian dairy industry was extraordinary and revolutionary. When coupled with his lifetime of service supporting the betterment of our region, and his devotion to his beautiful family, his legacy and influence will live on for generations to come.

From a personal perspective, John was an important and significant role model in my life. He was always gracious in allocating time to me, and generously shared his wealth of knowledge and vision for a better future. I will always cherish his enormous strength of character and his ability to give me strength when I needed it most.

Vale Mr John Bennett AM.

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