

Helmuth Dairy 1990 to the present

Our version of Helmuth Dairy began in April 1990. We bought the farm from Rod's grandparents, who had the original version of Helmuth Dairy. The last 35 years have gone by so quickly. We started milking around 50 in a flat floor six stanchion barn with three milkers, we then built a double four herringbone with four milkers then expanded to eight milkers as our herd grew to 150. We sold out in 1998, and then started milking for other dairymen in exchange for heifer calves.

We started the next round of milking our own cows with 15 cows and continued growing our herd to 90. As we were growing our herd, we were also raising our four children. Between chores, academics, and sports we were always busy. Our herd topped at 90 and our barn was remodeled to a double six with 12 milkers and automatic take-offs. Our children are grown and now our grandchildren are running around our farm and helping with chores just as their parents did.