



JEFFERSONTOWN
POPULATION 23,500

MAYOR DANIEL H. RUCKRIEGEL, SR.

Winner!

1999 Distinguished Public Service Award

"GREAT CITIES SELDOM REST" *Hesperides, 1648*. Occasionally, there are cities that never rest. Cities that continually develop and implement multiple programs and projects. Cities that look to the needs of all their citizens and work to meet those needs by creating a better quality of life for all. One such city is Jeffersonstown, this year's recipient of the 1999 Distinguished Public Service Award.

Within a few short years, the city of Jeffersonstown, under the leadership of Mayor Daniel Ruckriegel, has:

- Created a history museum to preserve and display the city's records and historic items that helped shape the community.
- Built a state-of-the-art public library to meet educational, technological and recreational needs of the citizens of Jeffersonstown.
- Preserved the unique architectural style of the old library building by renovating it and establishing a new senior citizens center.
- Designed an innovative Senior Citizens Program to meet the needs of Jeffersonstown's older citizens, and to fully utilize the new senior citizens center. The center, aptly named the Daniel H. Ruckriegel Building by the seniors themselves, was a tribute to the time and energy put into it by Mayor and Mrs. Ruckriegel.
- Established and built a farmer's market pavilion right on City Hall property to demonstrate the urban/rural economic interdependence in Kentucky.
- Developed a new recreation center by purchasing a deteriorating private swim club and renovating the historic home, swimming pools and tennis courts.

All of these projects involved the participation of individual citizens, and included working with local civic organizations, businesses, churches, and other governmental agencies. Thus, Jeffersonstown created an atmosphere of unity within the community and developed partnerships for the future.

These are but a few of the accomplishments Jeffersonstown has seen since Mayor Ruckriegel took office in 1982. He and his councilmembers have always set the example of tireless personal involvement when effecting some community development project.

Jeffersonstown is a city that seldom rests and whose endeavors should be an example to us all.



Top to bottom: Jeffersonstown City Hall; the Daniel H. Ruckriegel Building; ribbon cutting for the senior center; farmer's market pavilion.