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## 2024 AGENCY PERSONNEL AWARD JENNIE GORDON

**JENNIE (MUIR) GORDON** currently serves as First Lady of Wyoming. Prior to that, she managed day-to-day operations at Merlin Ranch, the Gordon family's cow-calf and heifer development operation located in Johnson County.

Jennie grew up in Omaha, Nebraska until her family moved to Buffalo, Wyoming. Jennie's father, Senior Master Sergeant Robert Muir, served in the Navy, Army and the Air Force. Jennie's mother, Gertrude Muir, was from Austria and after surviving World War II in Vienna, she moved to the United States. She learned English and raised the family's ten children, often with Sergeant Muir serving away from home. Five of Jennie's siblings have served, or continue to serve, in the armed services.

The First Lady received her Bachelor's Degree in Health Sciences from the University of Wyoming. She worked for 15 years as a laboratory medical technologist at Sheridan Memorial Hospital. She later served as a field service representative for Abbott Laboratories



where she traveled throughout the western United States repairing and servicing laboratory equipment at hospitals, clinics and private practices.

Governor Gordon and his wife Jennie have four grown children, Anne, Aaron, Bea with husband Austen and their son Crawford, and Spencer with wife Sarah and their son Everett and twin daughters Eloise and Violet.

In October 2019 Jennie launched the Wyoming Hunger Initiative, whose mission is to end hunger in Wyoming. The initiative works to prevent food insecurity by increasing awareness and support for the work of local anti-hunger organizations statewide. Programing includes Food from the Field, a partnership with the Wyoming Game & Fish Department, Wyoming Department

of Agriculture, and participating processors who work together to streamline game meat donations to food pantries statewide. To date, over 54,000 pounds have been distributed since the program launched in2020. For additional information, visit www.nohungerwyo.org

