DON THOMAS & SONS CADILLAC OF BRANGUS SALE

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Thomas and Sons 27th Consecutive Sale Features Stellar Offering

- 12 Registered Brangus 3-in-1's grossed \$38,300 to average \$3,064
- 4 Registered Brangus Bred Cows grossed \$10,500 to average \$2,625
- 25 Registered Brangus Bred Heifers grossed \$74,800 to average \$2,992
- 11 Registered Brangus Open Heifers grossed \$24,600 to average \$2,236
- 52 Total Registered Brangus Female Lots grossed \$148,200 to average \$2,823
- 14 Brangus Bulls grossed \$25,600 to average \$1,829
- 17 Commercial Pairs and 3-in-1's grossed \$29,850 to average \$1,756
- 3 Bred Cows grossed \$3,900 to average \$1,300
- 179 Bred Heifers grossed \$258,525 to average \$1,444
- 20 Open Heifers grossed \$23,000 to average \$1,150

Fifty-six registered buyers from 10 states participated in a stellar offering of registered and commercial cattle at the recent Don Thomas and Sons Cadillac of Brangus Sales. This sale remains one of the longest continuous sales in the Brangus breed celebrating their 27th consecutive sale. Great fall weather and pleasant-but-dry conditions greeted the crowd.

The day's high-selling lot was MS GUARDIAN 9U8U5-468B4, Lot 21. This big-bodied and powerful fall-bred heifer boasted seven EPD traits ranking in the breed's top 25 percent or greater. The granddaughter of the 468U2 donor out of the iconic 468L sold to Herndon Farms, Inc., Lyons, Georgia, for \$15,000.

The strong demand for this powerful set of fall-bred heifers continued as Cavender Ranch, Jacksonville, Texas, paid \$5,500 to own Lot 18, MS BUD 468Y3-2B4. Another big-bodied, heavy-springing heifer, she posts top 20 percent of the breed IMF and displayed a near-perfect udder design.

Quail Valley Farms, Oneonta, Alabama, continued the run on bred heifers when they paid \$5,000 to own Lot 16, MS FUSION 894Z3-803C3. This powerful member of the 803 cow family featured Onstar, Lambert and Lombardi on the bottom side of her pedigree and boasted top 30 percent WW EPDs.

Quail Valley, also, paid \$5,000 to own Lot 16's dam when they paid the price for Lot 22, RYR MS LAMBERT STAR 803Z. This young-bred cow boasts top 20 percent and top 25 percent of the breed WW EPDs.

The day's top-selling bull at \$3,500 was Lot 61, DTS DIESEL-291D. He sold to Circle S Farms, Rutherford, Tennessee.

\$2,000 topped the commercial heifer portion of the sale as Dean Wiess, Northboro, Iowa, paid the price to own Lot 910, a set of four bred Brangus heifers. Circle S Farms, also, paid \$2,000 to own Lot 912, a set of five bred Brangus heifers.