

## Carmen Beemer

*2023-2024 National Cherry Queen Candidate*

Carmen is the 21-year-old daughter of Gary Godley and Shanon Beemer of Wayland. She is a 2020 graduate of Thornapple Kellogg High School and is entering her senior year at Michigan State University where she majors in Horticulture Science with a minor in Crop and Soil Sciences. Carmen spends her school year in East Lansing soaking up knowledge, exploring different restaurants, and participates in several student organizations. She is the Public Relations executive board chair for Agronomy Club and the head chair of planning and organizing Michigan State University's Block and Bridle lamb show, 'Spartan Showdown'. This summer Carmen resides in Hart, Michigan where she's taken up an internship crop scouting horticultural crops.

Carmen was blessed with being chosen as one of seven 2023 Michigan Grown, Michigan Great Agricultural Ambassadors through the Agricultural Council. She is beyond grateful to be able to advocate over 300 Michigan grown commodities as well as spread consumer awareness throughout the state. Carmen's passion for agriculture is rooted deep within her and started at a young age by showing rabbits. Throughout the years she's had several great agricultural mentors and strives to carry that same compassion onto upcoming generations.

Determined by her zeal for the agricultural industry, Carmen aspires to pursue a career as a Horticulture Crop Consultant.

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