Our Story

When Jacob Bunn came to Springfield, IL in 1840, he most likely didn't realize the legacy he would create. Opening one of Springfield's first retail grocery stores at the corner of Fifth and Adams, Bunn focused on quality, always sourcing the finest products available. With Abe Lincoln as their legal counsel and friend, Jacob and his brother John built a successful business legacy that has thrived to this day.

Many businesses followed that original corner grocery store including Bunn Chocolate Manufacturing, Illinois Watch Company, Sangamo Electric, Bunn Capitol Food Distributors and Bunn-O-Matic.

While the Bunn family was building their legacy, Martin A. Pease, Sr. was busy founding a quality candy company that would span five generations.

The business moved from Bloomington to Springfield in the 1930's. Today, the fine chocolate and gourmet nuts are still made using the original recipes.

Now these two heritage brands along with others come together. BUNN Gourmet offers the finest quality confections and nuts from Pease's, locally raised USDA Prime and Choice beef from the Bunn Family Quarter B Farm and a wide variety of delicious products sourced from our partner craftsmen.

The legacy of quality continues with a heritage that has truly been Local Since Lincoln