



ROBERT AND GERALD DASHER HELPED BRING INTERNATIONAL FAME to the pride of their hometown—the Vidalia® onion, the sweet, aromatic marvel named after a small burg in southeast Georgia. The only problem is the Dashers are from Glennville, a town about 40 miles to the east, where folks also laid claim to the onions and didn't cotton to their rival town getting naming rights.

The two towns had sold the onion under their respective names, because they bookend the traditional Vidalia growing region, where the right combination of mild winter climate and sandy, rocky soil give the yellow Granex onion its signature sweet flavor. Where farmers such as Robert and Gerald's father, Walter, pioneered the planting of the onion during the Great Depression and war years. Where locals claimed the variety as a source of pride ... and as theirs. >>