



Stanley White

July 31, 1936 - April 3, 2017

Stanley G. White (80) of Citra, Florida owner of Stanley G. White's Grandeur Arabians in partnership with his beloved wife, Kitty, entered into his eternal rest Monday morning, April 3, 2017. Stanley was born in Waverly, Virginia in 1936 to E. Carl Sr. and Annie. He married his high school sweetheart Kitty in 1953, and together they built a family dynasty of horse trainers and exhibitors through their sons Stan Jr., and Steve. Stanley rose to be a giant in the training, breeding, and showing of Arabian and half-Arabian horses. Winning numerous National and Regional championships throughout the United States and Canada. Stanley brought joy and pride to the hundreds of owners who entrusted him with their prize Arabians. Stanley began his professional training career under the employment of the late Arabian legend, Bazy Tankersley in 1962. In 1968 he moved his family to Michigan for his newfound position as trainer/manager of Don Ford's Lancer Arabians. Following the dispersal sale of the prized Lancer herd in Ocala, FL in 1980, Stanley and Kitty founded their own facility, Stanley G. White's Grandeur Arabians. Under those majestic oaks just south of Citra, Stanley and Kitty continued to breed, train and show Arabian champions until the recent passing of their partner and son, Steve in 2016. A world renowned horseman, Stanley trained in dressage with the famed Captain Heyer, he also taught Arabian horse judging. Through his conduct of countless clinics he helped establish the AHA judging school and its foundation, Stanley was inducted into the Region 12 Hall of Fame in 2013, and The Arabian Horse Association Judges Hall of Fame in 2015. Together

with Kitty they received the APHA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011. A tireless giver of his time and talents for the benefit of others, Stanley was introduced to the famous Chincoteague ponies by his friend William Peebles, when Stanley was a child. As an adult, he immersed himself in the breeding and improvement of the wild herd of ponies on the coast of his native Virginia hometown. He donated Arabian stallions to enrich their bloodstock, rode numerous times in the annual Chincoteague roundup to the extent of being awarded the title of honorary Saltwater Cowboy. A man of as many interests as he had talents, he pursued his passion for bird dogs through his own breeding and training of English Pointers and English Setters, repeatedly proving their talents and superior training through numerous field trial trophies and championships. Self-made man, incomparable friend and mentor to hundreds, Stanley's greatest love and dedication were reserved and delivered to his beloved wife Kitty, and their children and grandchildren. Stanley was preceded in death by his parents Carl and Annie, son Steve, and brother Carl Jr. He is survived by his wife Kitty, sons Stanley (Kathy) White Jr., Grandchildren Stanley (Holly) White III, Dane (Jennifer) White, Shanea (Chris) Hamilton, Kaitlin White, two great-grandchildren Zachary White, Owen Hamilton, and his sister Anne White Cowling. The family will be receiving friends and family on Saturday April 8th from 5pm-7pm at the Roberts Funeral Home Downtown Chapel located at 606 SW 2nd Ave Ocala, FL 34471. Services will be held on Sunday April 9th at 3pm also held at the Roberts Funeral Home Downtown Chapel. Internment will follow at Highland Memorial Park; fittingly a horse drawn carriage will carry Stanley to his final resting place. Contributions can be made in Stanley's memory to the Arabian Horsemen's Distress fund C/O Mary Trowbridge, 236 Henry Sanford Road Bridgewater, CT 06752. www.horsemensdistressfund.com. Everyone is also encouraged to share stories and pictures on Stanley's online obituary at www.robertsfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall

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“ Stanley did an amazing job training this Missouri Fox Trotter to be a trick horse.



Debbie Jackson - May 10 at 07:33 PM

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“ I no longer live in Florida and was out of touch for a bit, so am just now learning of Stanley's passing. He was the horseman I most admired, and was lucky enough to have once owned an Arabian trained by him. My gelding was so well-trained that he took many a fledgling rider, myself included, on to several championships. He taught the most timid how to ride. I was always impressed by the White family -- one can only hope to have a marriage as everlasting as Stanley and Kitty's. My deepest sympathy to the White family.

Sheryl Smith - November 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the White Family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you. Betty

Betty R. Yaretzki - April 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Oh, how I wish that I could attend the services for this special friend and extraordinary horseman and human being! Our friendship extends back to the '40's and '50's in Sussex County, Virginia, where my extended family and my horses resided. We rode in jousting tournaments in Waverly and Wakefield, a competition in which the riders and horses rode for rings, going at speed. Stanley, even then, was "on top"...once winning the state championship spearing a wedding ring with a 9-foot lance. (The usual lance was made out of a surveying stick and a Ford brake rod. It was many years later that we found out that Stanley's lance was custom-made!) Like Tom and me, Stanley and Kitty left "home" to enter the world of Arabian horses. Stanley's contribution to the horse world (especially the Arabian horse world) was enormous! His knowledge and talent enriched countless lives, both human and equine. His gifts are reflected in his family members and clients. His awards are far too numerous to mention. It is sad that he is gone, but his contributions are ongoing. With much sympathy and love to Kitty and family, Rhita Bailey McNair Pinehurst, Texas

Rhita McNair - April 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Kitty and Family, I'm so deeply sorry for your loss. Stanley has and will always be a special person and memory to me and my family. I was truly honored to have had the privilege to show under his expert training and mentorship in the 80's. His heart was as big as his smile. I hope in time you and your family will find comfort that he has moved on to a better place. Love, Beth Harris Taylor & Kitty Harris My Dad, Ron also has passed 8-8-16

Beth Harris Taylor - April 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My Condolences To The White Family. Stanley Was a Brilliant Man and a Horse Trainer. I Will Never Forget How Good He Was To My Dad When He Really Needed a Friend and Stanley Was a True Friend! ❤️*

Stacy /Rocky Romani ' Daughter. - April 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are so sad to hear of Stanley's passing- he was still young in our eyes. He was an icon of the Arabian Horse industry...we have known Stan and Kitty since the late 60's when they were still in Maryland..It feels like the end of an era. We can't imagine how hard this is for Kitty- he will be missed by all of us, but he will go on in our memories, so he really is not so far away...Our prayers are with you, Kitty, and your family.*

Peggy and Bill Goldberg - April 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Kitty and family, Our fondest memories are all the times we would get together after the show in either Lee Caldwell's room or your and Stanley's. You were showing in the Midwest then and often we would get together with Bob Hart Sr, Lee and even sometimes Red Beyer and Bobbie. Things were somehow much simpler then. Ed and I cherish those memories and always considered you and Stanley as the best, not only as horsemen, but just down right great people. So very sorry for your loss. May God Bless you and your family. Fondly Ed and Judy Fojtik*

Ed and Judy Fojtik - April 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thinking about and praying for those that feel the lose of this special man that loved the Arabian horse. The White family and ours intertwined thought the years - of Halsey going to Al Marah, of Stanley coming to Michigan and Lancer, of children growing up with all of theirs and all of ours being in the horse business. Sharing a grandson. So time passes, our time passes, we move on to a better place, the road was rough, I see his smile, a son awaits. Blessings Stanley, You fought a good fight with Katherine ,the best, by your side.

Beverly Murch - April 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM