



ALL COWBOY & ARENA CHAMPIONS

HALL OF FAME



Robert Anderson

50+ Years in the Rodeo Circuit



Robert Anderson began his rodeo career his senior year of high school in 1955.

After high school graduation Robert had enrolled at Tarleton State College in Stephenville, Texas and joined the NIRA (National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association). He also joined the CRA (Central Rodeo Association).

In 1968 Robert got his RCA card, C11451, and won and placed in that association. With that, Anderson had won in every association of which he had been a member. He also judged in the RCA including one year at the Finals at the Mesquite Championship Rodeo.

In 1970 he qualified for the College National Finals Rodeo held in Bozeman, Montana. Robert walked away from the rodeo being named the NIRA Finals Bull Riding Champion.

In 1971 while teaching High School Agriculture, Robert saw a need for a high-school rodeo association in the North Texas area. He organized the North Texas High School Rodeo Association (NTHSRA) and was elected its first president.

Robert retired from bull riding in 1972 but continued to be involved in the Sport of Rodeo. He served as a State Director in the Texas High School Rodeo Association, a Director in the Texas



Rodeo Cowboy Association, a Director in the Windy Ryon Memorial Roping, an announcer in the NTHSRA and in 2016 organized the Tarleton Rodeo Alumni Chapter serving as its first President.

Anderson also served as a Director in the Tarleton State University Alumni Association and for the last 40 years has served on the Sales Committee at the Ft. Worth Stock Show & Rodeo. He is also the Founding Editor of Daily Times, a Team Roping Publication.

In 2017 Robert was inducted into the Tarleton State University Rodeo Hall of Fame. In 2020 Anderson was selected as the Bull Riding Honoree for the Cowboy Legacy Reunion & Rodeo.

Anderson lives in Aledo, Texas with his wife of 51 years, Theresa, who he met while clowning and she was riding steers at a high school rodeo.