

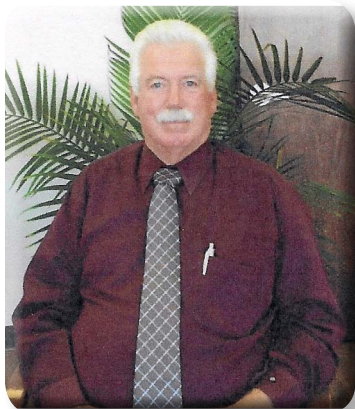


ALL COWBOY & ARENA CHAMPIONS

HALL OF FAME

Bert Hargrove

2023 ACACHOF Founders Inductee



Started my Rodeo Career in 1967 at age 16 at Logan Huffman's arena in Lorena Texas. Began by riding

Bulls, rode in open Rodeos all over Texas. While riding Bulls had numerous injuries including crushed elbows A'h, S'h vertebrae in back. Like most got bucked off many bulls, however won in Fairfield,

Comanche, West and others, I won. Injuries were more than money winning.

In 1969 after growing in size changed to riding Bareback I was to

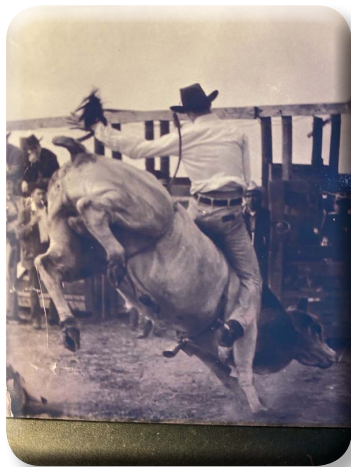
tall for bulls. Surprising never got hurt but did not win as much as riding Bulls.

Continued bareback until 1971, then switched to bulldogging at age 20. Was lucky to get a partner

named J. D. Middleton who had a lot of experience and was a great mentor to me. Didn't win very much due to breaking my ankle and tearing up both knees. Had to retire at age 27 due to injuries.

Wanting to stay in and around Rodeos, began selling Accidental Insurance to cover Cowboys and it would

Cover them immediately. Got to be well known at all rodeos the announcer



would tell alii was there, set

up behind chutes to help them. Sold that until 1978 went in Farmers and Rancher insurance and I am still doing that.

At age 50 got back in Rodeo in Team Sorting continued that until was thrown by a horse breaking my

pelvic and back. After spending 3 months in Hospital once out retired from Rodeo and currently have a

Cattle Ranch.

Still helping my Granddaughter Barrell Race and my son in Team roping.