

ALL COWBOY & ARENA CHAMPIONS HALL OF FAME

Ollie Smith

By Line



Ollie Smith was born into rodeo. Parents Blanche Altizer and Bud Smith were somewhat dismayed when at first Ollie didn't take an interest in riding. That didn't last long. By the age of 12, Ollie was roping and riding with cousins Mack and Sherry Altizer. Ollie didn't junior rodeo much because of playing

football but he and Mack were the 1976 Texas High School Team Roping Champions and Ollie was also the AJRA Optional Roping Champion that same year. He attended college on a rodeo scholarship where he was a member of the World Champion Southeastern Oklahoma State Rodeo Team from 1978 – 1980.

Along with partner Tee Woolman, Ollie was the 1978 NIRA Team Roping Champion.

After college, Ollie began rodeoing in earnest, specializing in Steer Wrestling and Calf Roping. Ollie won or placed at the majority of rodeos. A few of the rodeos that he won were: San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo, Reno, NV Rodeo, Ft. Worth Livestock Show and Rodeo, and the All Around plus the \$50,000 in the Steer Wrestling at the Calgary Stampede. Ollie qualified for the 1985 NFR in the Steer Wrestling and in 1995, Ollie won the prestigious Timed Event Championship.



- 1976 - Texas High School Team Roping Champion
- 1976 - AJRA Optional Roping Champion
- 1978 - 1980 - Member of Southeastern Oklahoma State World
Champion Rodeo Team
- 1978 - NIRA Team Roping Champion
- 1983 - Calgary Stampede Steer Wrestling Champion
- 1985 - Calgary Stampede All Around Cowboy, and winner
of the \$50,000 in the Steer Wrestling
- 1985 - National Finals Rodeo qualifier
- 1995 - Won the Timed Event Championship title

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