



Samule Paul Humphrey, Jr.

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Paul was born June 1, 1922 in Belton, Texas. He was the oldest of the brothers Bud and Bill, both of whom rodeoed. He started to ride early in life like most of the young Belton cowboys on local farmer's pasture cattle.

Paul started his rodeo career in 1941 riding bulls. Bullriding was his main event however, he also rode bareback broncs and did some steer dogging. You could always tell when it was Paul riding, he would wear his

hat crossways for luck.

In 1942, Paul joined the Turtle Association which later changed its name to Rodeo Cowboy Association and currently known as the P.R.C.A.

Paul rode bulls and bareback broncs and had just added steer dogging to his choice of events when he was killed at an early age of 22 years old in December of 1945.

Paul traveled all over Texas during his rodeo career as well as Oklahoma, Louisiana and many other states. Paul was the type of guy everyone seemed to like. He was very outgoing and was always ready to help anyone.

