George Farris

George Farris, 85 years young, is a lifetime member of the QHRAI and his passion for Quarter Horses started in the early 70’s. He was on the QHRAI board of directors in 1974 and helped push for the pari-mutuel racing. He many times held the board meetings at his gas station in Lebanon, IN.

George started in horse racing business with his good friend Ray Luttrell. George was successful as an owner and breeder not only in Quarter Horses but also within the Pleasure Horse industry. He was involved with Harness Racing and Thoroughbreds but his passion was still with the Quarter Horse racing. He has raced his horses in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Kentucky, Oklahoma and Iowa.

Some of George’s favorite horses were the mare, “High Steppin Fancy” who AAA at three different distances. High Steppin Fancy was mother to “Time To Step Up” who won the Stallion Service Auction at Shelbyville. Some other favorites were a Special Effort filly which won 4 in a row at Shelbyville and set a track record in Kentucky. The mare “Takein Flight” won the MBNA Challenge Cup in Oklahoma and was High Point 3 year old at Blue Ribbon.

George’s passion has been handed down to his son Gregg Farris, his grand son, Nick Johnson, whom he has a partnership with in JF Racing Stables.