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## Foundation breeder Guy Ray Rutland leaves living legacy. He was gold.

At left: Guy Ray Rutland with a few of his broodmares. To Guy Ray, friendship was worth far more than any amount of money. He always said, "Make new friends, but keep the old; one is silver, the other gold."

by Amy Boucher

Always a horseman at heart, Guy Ray Rutland left a heritage of not only "faster horses," but was one of the mainstay breeders of "the all around horse", a leading breeder of the world's most versatile breed.

Guy Ray Rutland was born the son of an Oklahoma rancher in 1917. Growing up with horses instilled that dream of breeding that great running horse or that great all around horse. As on most ranches, when the real work is finished, competition among the hands usually resulted in match races or other skills to test one's favorite horse. The Rutland ranch was a cattle farm first and

foremost, but when the horses started paying for the cattle feed, Guy Ray Rutland became a horse breeder by trade as well as by heart. Guy Ray named Gold King Bailey as the single horse that really started his career in the horse business. Rutland had been looking for a palomino stallion for quite a long time and in 1946 found a colt that really caught his attention at the Oklahoma Quarter Horse Show and Sale in Ada, Oklahoma. Actually, Rutland was looking for a mature breeding stud, but decided this outstanding yearling stallion fitted his plan to a "T". Rutland convinced the owners, who really didn't want to sell,

that he just had to have this golden colt and ended up purchasing Gold King Bailey for \$1,250, which was quite a price back in 1946. Proving himself to be a super bargain, Gold King Bailey began to win in the show ring. This outstanding son of Hank H by King and out of an Old Joe Bailey mare became one of the few horses to win Grand Champion Stallion at both the Denver and Ft. Worth stock shows in the same year. Gold King Bailey won all but one match race which at the time were run on non-approved tracks. In his only two races on approved tracks, the palomino stallion made his AA ROM which was the highest given by the AQHA back then.

After an injury cut short his racing career, Gold King Bailey proved himself as an outstanding breeding stallion. He sired 32 ROM race qualifiers, 15 ROM show qualifiers and the sire of 8 AQHA Champions. He was the maternal grandsire of 50 race ROM, 15 show ROM, and 6 AQHA Champions. His sons and daughters tallied 483 halter points, 484 performance points, and 337 racing points from 725 starts. Rutland feels that Gold King Bailey's most notable accomplishment was the siring of Gold Pacific out of a Leo daughter owned by Bud Warren. Soon, Guy Ray traded Bud Warren out of the resulting palomino stud colt. This colt, Gold Pacific, earned his AA rating as a two-year-old and was AAA as a three-year-old. Gold Pacific was retired to stud as a four-year-old. Tragedy soon struck the Rutland ranch, Gold King Bailey died at the age of 19 and the heir apparent was also soon struck down by acute colic. Gold Pacific had sired 10 race ROM qualifiers and two AQHA Champions. One of these AQHA Champions, Pacific Bailey, was the horse that really put the Rutland Ranch on the map and who even today still produces winners. Pacific Bailey is now 25 years old and even though he has a few

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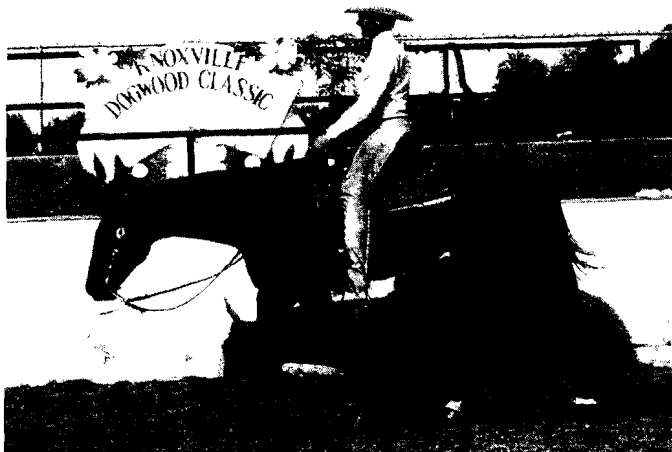
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## Guy Ray Rutland

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tell-tale gray hairs, he is still slick, shiny and has a muscled rear end that looks like it could still propel him down the track at top speed. Guy Ray admitted that Pacific held that special place in his heart. He had planned him long before he was born and he lived up to all his expectations. Pacific Bailey started 19 times as a two-year-old and won 14 races and placed second three times. He ran seven AAA races and five AA races earning 52 racing points. Pac also earned 24 halter points to win his AQHA Championship in 1967. He was the second leading sire of two-year-old ROM earners in 1970, only three behind Jet Deck's 24 ROM qualifiers. Guy Ray believed that Pacific Bailey could have been a great cow horse or cutter or whatever was asked of him. That he was so athletic and versatile made him so valuable to the Rut-



PACIFIC BAILEY

land Ranch. Pacific Bailey put a lot of offspring in the winner's circle but he is also the sire of top performance and halter horses.

Although the Rutland Ranch still stands Pacific Bailey as their main sire, he stands in good company. The AAA, AQHA Supreme Champion, Bar Money, was laid to rest this June. He was a leading sire of AQHA Champions, a leading sire of ROM qualifiers, and sire of many AAA Stakes Winners. He was one of the most outstanding sons of Three Bars and his last foals are being offered at the 22nd Rutland Ranch Sale in Independence, Kansas on November 26.

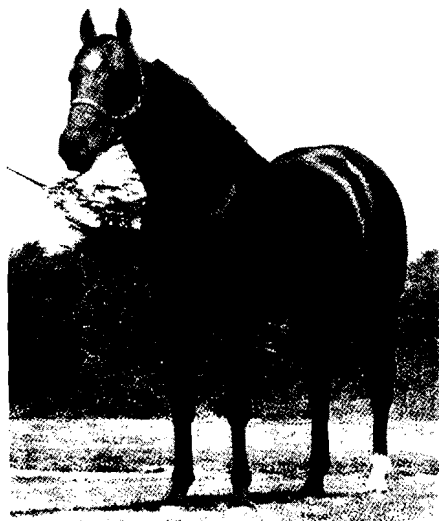
Rutland stood Bar Money as a three-year-old for owner Roger Wyatt. Rutland later acquired him and stood him along with Pacific Bailey. Both of the outstanding horses blood runs strong in the Rutland broodmare band. Rutland also mixed some Jet Deck blood into his breeding program with an unraced son named Jet Stop. This blood bay stallion has produced the kind of good-looking speed horses that was Guy Ray's aim to produce. Although a quarter horse purist at heart, Guy Ray never opposed the infusion of the right kind of thoroughbred blood. For many years it was Carrara Marble, but today it is another thoroughbred speed horse that is used to complement the Rutland Pacific Bailey, Bar Money, Jet Stop genetics, and that is Native Arrow. Native Arrow is royally bred. His sire, Exclusive Native, was also the sire of Triple Crown winner Affirmed and the Kentucky Derby winner Genuine Risk. Even though royally bred as a thoroughbred,

Native Arrow has the quarter horse look to him. He has a deep chest and heavy muscling. Guy Ray though he was the "right kind of thoroughbred" ... one with the conformation to produce outstanding offspring and the ability to pass on the quick burst of speed that is so essential in a very tough business.

Guy Ray Rutland was not just an owner and breeder in name only, but his uniform of denim jeans, snap-button western shirt, cowboy boots, and Stetson hat marked him as an active ranch hand on his Independence, Kansas ranch. Rutland has passed on a legacy to the quarter horse industry. Breeding that good-looking speed horse, or better still, that beautiful all around horse that is the very foundation of the American Quarter Horse Tradition...The World's Most Versatile Breed. The Rutland Ranch influence on the quarter horse industry grew each year of Guy Ray's life. He has always hoped to produce an All-American Futurity winner; one from his horses' bloodlines that had the quarter horse look and disposition. Guy Ray had the satisfaction of knowing that he produced a line of horses that could do whatever was asked of them, whether on the track, on the ranch, or in the show arena. They produced...no excuses, no apologies. Instilled in the Rutland heritage along with his love of "good horses", his or anybody else's was his love of people. He had a lot of friends and believed in helping others because he remembered those people that helped him along the way. His lifelong trademark saying was: "Make new friends, but keep the old; one is silver, the other is gold." The legacy of Guy Ray Rutland, who passed away in August of this year, will live on forever in his lineage of outstanding American Quarter Horses; in the memory of his friends, both silver and gold; and in the Rutland Ranch and his wife, Mildred and son Jeff Rutland. Sorely missed in the industry and at the Rutland Ranch, Jeff said he and his mother don't mean to change from the successful plans of his father. The ranch will continue in its same direction. Guy Ray Rutland will continue to live in the memory of all his relatives and friends. Guy Ray Rutland was surely a friend to the quarter horse industry. He was gold.



BAR MONEY



JET STOP

## The Saddle Horn January Stallion Issue...

*What a way to start  
the New Year right!*