

HARRIS WILCOX - AMHA MASTER

Harris has been an avid Morgan owner and enthusiast since he purchased his first Morgan.

The following is his account of his first Morgan: "Babetta - purchased in 1955. Granddaughter of Flyhawk. I heard about this beautiful 4 yr old Chestnut mare in Pennsylvania and had an auction in the area. I drove until 3AM to find her, woke up the lady that owned her. She must have thought I was crazy - She had bought Babetta for her daughter who had lost interest. It was love at first sight. I bought her. My son, Craig was about 8 years old and he was the first on her back. Not the slightest problem. We then hooked her to a 2 wheel cart and she drove off like a veteran. She was beautiful, intelligent and not a mean hair on her body. She always seemed to want to please. I was sold on Morgans. A tragedy hit. We turned her out in the winter for exercise for about 1/2 hour with 2 other horses. They were running and Babetta broke her right front leg in the middle of her cannon bone, she had to be put down. I have had Morgans every since."

Harris has been active in the NYSMHS and AMHA for many years and has promoted our Morgans at many open driving competitions throughout the country. His pair of 16 hand government bred Morgans, Longview Kingpin and SHF Marshall Tucker, were the Grand Champion pair at Walnut Hill, the Grand Champion pair at the Canadian Driving Classic and were named the Grand Champion North American Driving Pair for the year 1986.

His present pair, Rosedust Free Spirit and I M Grand Master, are 15.2 Chestnut Morgan Geldings, but due to illness in the family they have not been shown extensively. However, they have been Grand Champion Pair at Lorenzo Show several times and also at the Northampton Show.

Harris has been a wonderful promoter of our Morgans and his company has handled many auctions including Longview Morgan Dispersal, the Whippoorwill Morgan Dispersal, N.Y. State Morgan Sale. He is a respected member of his community and profession and is truly deserving of being awarded an AMHA Masters Certificate.
