

## CH Star of the Show 60693M



RWGC CH Star of the Show may have been the greatest horse to show at Louisville that was never crowned a World's Champion. In the four seasons she was exhibited at the Kentucky State Fair, she met defeat in all her classes at the hands of the same horse, WGC CH My My. Bred by Castleton Farms/Dodge Stables, she foaled in 1959 as part of the final foal crop of her illustrious sire, RWC CH Anacacho Shamrock. Star of the Show was the first foal of her dam, WCC CH My Show Boat, the five gaited mare shown to many wins by both her owner Frances Dodge Van Lennep and her trainer Earl Teater. Shown as Show Boat, she won the Five Gaited Mare Stake on multiple occasions, but never showed back in the Championship in deference to her stable mate, WGC CH Wing Commander.

Star of the Show was aptly named, as she entered the show ring and captured the attention of the audience. Her four white socks, the large white snip on her nose that drew attention like a beacon of light, and the white tip of her tail made her instantly recognizable. She had talent and presence to go along with her beauty. Her trainer Earl Teater thought she had a good chance of being the 12th Five Gaited World's Grand Champion that he had shown. He of all people knew a good horse when he had one.

In the four years that she showed at Louisville, she demonstrated amazing consistency, placing 2nd or 3rd in all eight classes where she made an appearance. In 1964, she placed 3rd in the Mare Stake behind My My and Queen of Fashion, but she came back in the Championship to best Queen of Fashion and was Reserve World's Grand Champion behind My My. In the 1965 Championship class she was 3rd to My My and the winner of the Gelding Stake, Contract's Beau Le Rose who showed as The Contender by Tom Moore.

Although she was not successful in winning the World's Grand Championship, Star of The Show had considerable support in her bids to upset the reigning champion, My My. During the 1967 championship class, the workout between the two mares was a hard fought battle, and many have voiced the opinion that Star of the Show was the better horse that day.

Perhaps she gave her all in that performance, as she never returned to challenge for the World's Grand Champion title again. She didn't produce any offspring, so little remains to remind us of the mare who went head to head with one of the greatest show mares of all time. If it wasn't for My My, Star of the Show would have been a multiple World's Grand Champion winner.

Star of the Show gathered enough points during her show career to earn her Champion status along with the titles of Reserve World's Champion and Reserve World's Grand Champion. Her record at Louisville's Kentucky State Fair was outstanding.

- 1964 3rd place Five Gaited Mare Stake, 2nd place Reserve World's Grand Champion
- 1965 2nd place Five Gaited Mare Stake, 3rd place Five Gaited World's Grand Championship
- 1966 2nd place Five Gaited Mare Stake, 2nd place Reserve World's Grand Champion
- 1967 2nd place Five Gaited Mare Stake, 2nd place Reserve World's Grand Champion

The lovely Star of the Show is pictured below with her trainer Earl Teater, along with her sire Anacacho Shamrock and her dam My Show Boat.



Star of the Show with Earl Teater



Sire: Anacacho Shamrock



Dam: My Show Boat

**Sire**  
<sup>CH</sup>ANACACHO SHAMROCK  
 12594

EDNA MAY'S KING  
 8672

SALLY CAMERON (BHF)  
 14376

**CH STAR OF THE SHOW**  
 60693

**Dam**  
<sup>CH</sup>MY SHOW BOAT  
 56411

SPARKLING WATERS  
 14438

MY REVELRETTA  
 35374

BOURBON KING  
 1788  
<sup>CH</sup>EDNA MAY (BHF)  
 5703

HIGHLAND SQUIRREL KING  
 1881

ALTADENA  
 3691

SPARKLING FIREFLY  
 12755

DOROTHY LLOYD  
 14892

REVELER  
 9901

COUNTESS PEAVINE  
 16511

BOURBON CHIEF  
 976  
 ANNIE C. (BHF)  
 3025

REX PEAVINE  
 1796  
 LEE WOOD  
 2330

FOREST KING  
 1462

NELLIE P.  
 2096

PRINCE ARTHUR  
 2387

MANIA  
 2171

REX FIREFLY  
 10683

GOLDEN FIREFLY (BHF)  
 9268

BOURBON KING  
 1788

HILDORA  
 6853

INDEPENDENCE CHIEF  
 3425

MYRTLE DICKEY (BHF)  
 10702

REX PEAVINE  
 1796

MOLLIE ELKIN  
 987289