



# James C. Brown

## 2014 Inductee

- Licensed Arabian judge from 1971 through 2012.



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James C. Brown (Jim) has been in the horse business for a lifetime. He came into this world to a trainer and breeder father so has known no other life. Though he judged 4H stock much earlier Jim entered the horse- judging arena at the ripe old age of 14 when he judged an open show in Pierpont, Ohio. He, of course, earned his judges card in a variety of disciplines and breeds when that was instituted. Since then he has judged all over the world to include South Africa, Spain, Australia, Israel and Brazil to name a few as well as coast to coast in the US and Canada. In addition, Jim was instrumental in the success of the Morgan Horse judge's clinics and seminars from 1973 to 1993 and he initiated the first breed convention for the Morgan Horse Association. Early in his career he was honored to be selected as Man of the Year by AMHA. During that time he also served on the Board of Directors of AHSA (USEF), was committee chair and co-chair of the Morgan World Horse Show and Championship for many years and spent many years serving on various committees. Jim has lifetime memberships in USEF, AHA, AMHA and holds a Pioneer Membership in the Western Dressage Association of America. While fulfilling his desire to participate in emboldening the horse industry he built and served as CEO of his own company, Sylvite Sales USA from 1989 – 2013. Jim moved to Texas in 2011 to begin the preparation for his retirement. In so doing, he began to renovate and build Jim-a-Dee Ranch located just north of Dallas. It is Jim's desire to host driving events and clinics. Both of his brothers are also in the horse business so it is safe to say, "horsey is simply in the blood". Jim and his brother Gene created what now is the National Morgan Stallion Auction in Chicago in the 70's and the brothers, Jim, Gene and Guy, have conducted many horse sales and auctions across the country over the years.

Jim has a love of horses and people and enjoys watching the two become one in the show ring. Jim's passion for quality horses, his demand for a level playing field for exhibitors and his desire to encourage the youth and amateurs of today to learn sportsmanship, horsemanship, and showmanship kept him coming back to the show ring year after year.