**Ron Turcotte**

Turcotte is over-shadowed by his most famous mount—Secretariat and one might infer that a legendary horse is solely responsible for him being in the Horse Racing Hall of Fame. Such a conclusion would be extremely inaccurate and superficial. Turcotte was an active jockey from 1959 until 1978. His career and almost his life ended on July 13, 1978 when his mount, *Flag of Leyte Bay*, stumbled in the eighth race at Belmont Park and he was thrown under a stampede of hooves and became permanently disabled.

Ron Turcotte won five out of the six Triple Crown races in 1972-1973. He was the North American leader among jockeys in stakes race winners. He rode 3 Kentucky Derby winners, 3 Preakness Stakes winners and 3 Belmont Stakes winners. In addition to Secretariat he was the jockey of many great horses—Damascus, Shuvee, Northern Dancer, Tom Rolfe and Riva Ridge.

Past Performance

Number of Mounts 20,281

Number of Wins 3,032

Earnings of Mounts Approximately $28,000,000