

Roxanne Nelson Lockard - 2014

Roxie was in High School when she first showed at the Iowa State Fair as a youngster from Windom, Minnesota. After graduating from William Woods College, Roxie returned home to Minnesota to work at the FSA office and show horses for the family-owned Oak Grove Farm. She was quite successful campaigning the five-gaited stallion, Irish Commander, and her multi-titled country pleasure mount, Temptation's Golden Perfection.

A frequent visitor to the winner's circle at shows throughout Iowa and a many times champion at the Iowa State Fair, Roxie was creating quite a reputation for herself in the horse world. In 1985, Roxie married Iowan, Tim Lockard, and working alongside her husband and mother-in-law, Mary Anne Lockard, helped to guide the showring successes of Oakwoods Farm horses and riders. Roxie soon took over the guidance of the farms' equitation riders. Under her instruction, Oakwoods riders were winners at all levels of saddle seat equitation competitions.

Roxie helped to promote and bring to the forefront hackney pony under saddle classes, even riding astride Desert Light with the Kansas City Symphony Orchestra. For several years, Oakwoods "pony riders" were undefeated, garnering numerous National Championships.

Honored by her inclusion in the Iowa Horseman's Hall of Fame, Roxie continues to promote saddleseat riding via an active lesson program at her Oakwoods Farm stable in Russell, Iowa.