

Clifton and Henrietta Card raced horses for over 30 years! Cliff had been a farrier for over 18 years! They shared their love of horses and turned it into a way of life. Making many friends along the way! Cliff always said “behind every good racer is a good groom”. While Clifton was out jogging, Henrietta would be cleaning the barn, cleaning stalls, and when Cliff was done jogging, she would bath the horses and wash harnesses. Clifton would jog his horses 6 or 7 miles a day and get them up to 300-400 miles before he raced them. Cliff said most horses enjoyed their training! Over the years, one horse stood out in Clifton’s memory, “Red My Boy”. He said he was the best horse he ever sat behind! As a three year old he went in 1:55. They were privileged to have a top aged trotter in Iowa – “Splendor Baby”. She finished the year with five wins, five seconds and three thirds. Clifton said when he started out with this hobby he wanted three things. A good trotter, a license to drive horses anywhere in the world, and the love of a good woman. He said he had all three! Clifton and Henrietta’s family would like to thank the Iowa Harness Racing Association for this memorial!