

Quinby Demmitt
2002 KQHA Hall of Fame Inductee

Quinby Demmitt moved to Meade, KS in 1928 after the death of his father. He farmed with his mother and sister raising wheat, corn, sorghum and cattle. In 1935 he and two associates started the Meade Sales Company which he operated for 10 years before selling it and concentrating on his farm and burgeoning horse business. His original stock came from the Matador Ranch in Texas. He enjoyed competing in The Rodeo Cowboys Association in roping events and also participated in many match races. His favorite horse was to become his blue hen broodmare, Miss Reed McCue. She produced five AAA running horses for Demmitt including Jayhawker Bar, Impudent, Arrive, and Arrived.

Quinby was on the AQHA Board of Directors from 1953 to 1971 and named an honorary vice president in 1972. He held a seat on the youth activities committee for 3 years and the racing committee for 13 years. He was the founder and first president of the Kansas Quarter Racing Association and in 1951 he spearheaded the inauguration of the Kansas Futurity long one of the triple crown of quarter horse racing events. He died in 1992 at the age of 85 and was inducted into the AQHA hall of Fame in 1994.

