

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **First job:** Worked as a hot-walker for trainer Odie Clelland in summer of 1971
- **After high school graduation:** Continued to learn about training and riding Thoroughbred racehorses at Suffolk Downs in Boston and then at Bowie Race Course in Maryland
- **First mount in a race:** MOST ACTIVE at Bowie Race Course, January 24, 1974; finished last
- **First winner:** Tenth mount, EREZEV, at Bowie Race Course, February 9, 1974
- Competed professionally for 28 years, four years in Maryland and 24 years in California and at tracks throughout North America and the world
- Color analyst for major races, including Triple Crown events and the Breeders' Cup, on ABC, NBC, ESPN, HDNet and TVG
- Served as race designer for the feature film Seabiscuit and played the role of Charlie Kurtsinger, War Admiral' s jockey
- General manager of Santa Anita Park, March 31, 2003, to October 31, 2004
- Vice president of Industry Relations for Magna Entertainment Corporation, November 1, 2004, to February 20, 2005

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **1974:** Rode a record 2,199 races and won a record 546 races to lead the nation while still an apprentice (record stood for 15 years)
- **1975:** Led the nation riding 465 winners to become the first jockey ever to win more than 1,000 races in a two-year period (1,011)

Won virtually every major race in North America:

Six Triple Crown victories:

Kentucky Derby: 1987 on ALYSHEBA, 1994 on GO FOR GIN

Preakness: 1987 on ALYSHEBA, 1992 on PINE BLUFF

Belmont: 1986 on DANZIG CONNECTION, 1997 on TOUCH GOLD

Nine Breeders' Cup victories:

Classic: 1998 on ALYSHEBA, 1989 on SUNDAY SILENCE, 1996 on ALPHABET SOUP, 2001 and 2002 on TIZNOW

Sprint: PRECISIONIST, 1985

Distaff: PASEANA, 1992

Juvenile: GILDED TIME, 1992

Turf: NORTHERN SPUR, 1995

- **Led nation in races won:** 1974, 1975 and 1980
- **Led nation in money won:** 1980, 1981 and 1984
- First jockey in history to reach the \$200 million earnings plateau
- **1987:** Co-founded the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund, which assists disabled jockeys and their families financially and emotionally, with my wife, Judy, and our friend comedian Tim Conway (raised more than \$2 million and assisted over 1,600 jockeys and their families)
- **Retired:** June 23, 2002, as all-time leader in earnings category (over \$260 million in purse earnings) and moved to seventh in the win category with 7,141 winners

AWARDS

- **1974:** Eclipse Award for outstanding achievement as the nation's leading apprentice
- **1980:** Eclipse Award for outstanding achievement as the nation's leading jockey
- **1980:** George Woolf Memorial Award for service and conduct
- **1980 through 1984:** Seagram Seven Crowns of Sports Award for leading the nation in statistical categories, five times
- **1980 and 1981:** National Turf Writers Association Rider of the Year
- **1989:** Inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame in first year of eligibility
- **1991:** Mike Venezia Award for outstanding achievement and sportsmanship

CHAMPIONS RIDDEN

Alysheba, John Henry, Paseana, Precisionist, Lady's Secret, Sunday Silence, Flawlessly, Glorious Song, Turkoman, Bayakoa, Northern Spur and Tiznow