

## About Curt Greene



Curt Greene, who was inducted into the Communicator's Corner of the hall of Fame of the Trotter in 2001, was born in Central Illinois and became familiar with harness racing through the numerous county fair race meets in the area. At 15, he began working as a groom and worked his way through Southern Illinois University as a trainer and driver.

After graduating with a journalism degree he was named associate editor of The Horseman and Fair World in Lexington, Kentucky, and also served as Executive Director of the Illinois Harness Horseman's Association. In 1997, he was named Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations for the Du Quoin (IL) State Fair, which hosted the sport's premier event, The Hambletonian. Greene handled all marketing and public relations for the prestigious race and when it was moved from Du Quoin in 1980, he created the World Trotting Derby to replace it. That race's success is due to Curt's energy in promoting and marketing it.

In 1982, he moved to Lexington to become General Manager of the historic Red Mile race track and Tattersalls Sales Company. He wrote a book on Kentucky's biggest race, The Kentucky Futurity, which is held at the Red Mile annually, and also contributed to the new Care and Training of the Pacer and Trotter.

Curt Greene passed away in 2000, but his legacy lives on through his writing and this scholarship.