

A True Gentleman

“Red”

Hamlin Snip

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At 29 years, Red is the senior member of the retirement gang. Local legend has it he went to the NFR in Las Vegas seven years in a row as a heading horse, and one cowboy said he thought he even won it one year. His legs show the wear and tear of a champion athlete, but he still walks soundly—just slower than he used to.

Retired from the life of a rodeo cowboy, Red eventually became the companion and mount of a very special young lady with physical and mental challenges. Together, they rode in parades and competed safely and successfully in 4-H.

With a history that includes breaking out of the box and taking care of a young person (amazing in her own right!), Red has done it all. He is enjoying a much-deserved retirement. He is still capable of an occasional pony ride, but his days are spent for the most part, hanging out with his lady friends—as he is a favorite of the four-legged kind.

We learned quickly not to put Red in any position where he would have to defend one of them, as he will place himself in harm’s way to do so. He is extremely gallant, loyal and courageous. Were he human (and we sometimes wonder) and in a retirement home, every single senior lady would be in competition for his affection.

Red is a dream to handle. He does not have a single vice. There is only one thing we would like to change about him—to make him young again. Horses like Red do not come along everyday and we feel so very fortunate to be sharing in the life of this extraordinary champion of champions, a true gentleman.

Red needs a sponsor to help with the cost of his special needs as a senior horse. Would you commit to sponsoring him? Sponsorships start as low as \$10 per month!