

Alfred Meeks

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Alfred Meeks, a well-respected Hereford breeder who strived to use the most modern methods and equipment to breed and raise cattle on his Upstream Ranch near Taylor, was born in 1914 on his father's small Hereford ranch near Logan, New Mexico.

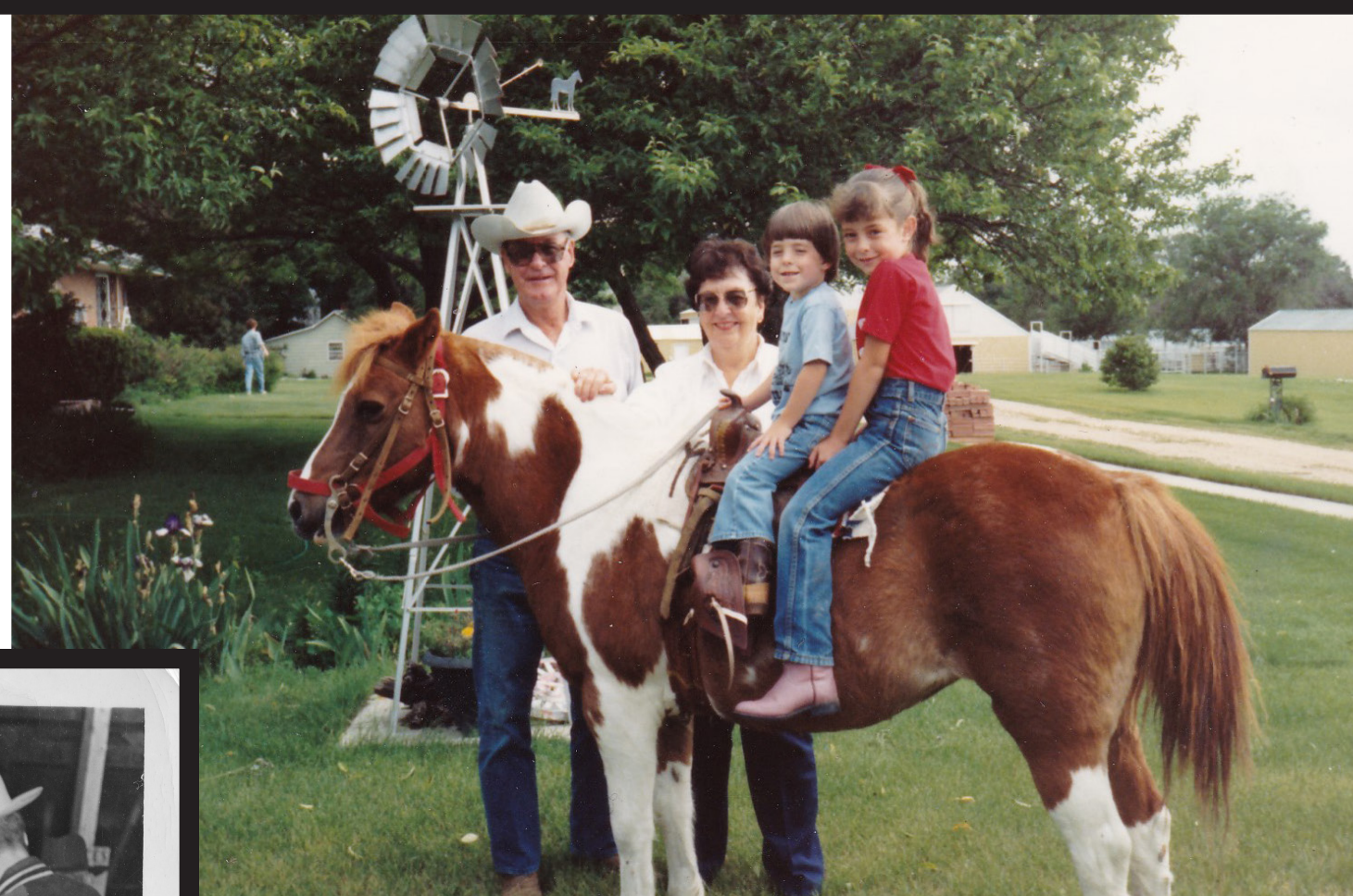
He graduated from high school in 1933 and married Mildred Brown the following year. They had two sons, Ferrall, born in 1935, and Warren, born in 1940. Alfred and Mildred slowly grew their herd of commercial Herefords, and in 1940 they leased a ranch near Dalhart, Texas. They bought the ranch in 1945.

After visiting the Nebraska Sandhills at the invitation of a family friend, Alfred, Mildred, Ferrall and his wife Gloria bought the Upstream Ranch in 1955. The ranch, 17 miles north of Taylor, held its first production sale in 1978 and continues to hold sales on the first Saturday in February.

In his free time, Alfred enjoyed roping calves at PRCA events, for the Rose Roping Club and at area rodeos. He also served his local community whenever he could.

Alfred showed many champion Herefords at livestock shows around the country, served as president of the American Hereford Association in 1973 and was a member of the Hereford Honor Gallery, among other distinctions.

Alfred died of cancer in 1991, and Ferrall and Gloria died in a car crash in 1994. Today the ranch is managed by Ferrall's son Brent and his wife Robin.



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