Sarah Lester McCraw Anderson Maid of Milkpails Cumberland County, Virginia Inducted 2004

Sarah Lester McCraw Anderson of Cumberland County, Virginia, was born on April 3, 1929 to Francis Dancy McCraw and Quinton Victoria Hebditch McCraw, on the family farm in Cumberland County, Virginia. Born



into a family that produced 10 jousters, she did not get her start in jousting until after she met her future husband and 1990 Hall of Fame inductee, Frank C. Anderson at a jousting tournament. She began riding in jousting tournaments as the Maid of Milkpails in the 1940s and continued into the 1950s. She placed in many of the tournaments in which she participated. Having married into a family that produced nine jousters, her competition often included her husband, father, two brothers, nephews, cousin, uncles, father-in-law, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law. She was also named Most Graceful Rider on at least one occasion.

She retired from competing in jousting once she started her family, but continued to serve in the capacity of scorekeeper or judge when needed as long as she was able. She and Frank still live on the family farm, known as "Cedar Lane Farm" in Cumberland County, Virginia and have two daughters, three grandsons and one granddaughter.

(Sarah Anderson in back of photo)