## **Howard Burtner**

Washington County, Maryland Inducted 1979 Charter Member

Howard Burtner became involved in jousting in 1938 when he organized a tournament at the Keedysville Homecoming Celebration in Washington County, Maryland. He began his riding career at this tournament. The following year he participated in tournaments all around Washington County as well as in nearby West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

In 1969, at the age of sixty-nine years, he retired from active riding but remained supportive of the sport by giving advice, assistance and encouragement to the Keedysville 4-H Clubs in helping them to sponsor annual jousting tournaments.