LOUISIANA TRAPSHOOTING HALL OF FAME

WILLIAM K. CUPPLES

William Cupples was born in Shreveport, LA, on April 30, 1941. He attended Byrd High School in Shreveport and continued working on his parents' farm. He has been associated with his farm business his entire life, raising cotton and cattle. He is married to Lynda Cupples, his second wife. He has two children by his first wife; Leah and Robson.

William inherited much of his trapshooting talents and skills from his father, Earl Robson. E. Robson and his first wife, Genevieve Hudson Cupples, were devoted competitors in the 20's and 30's. E. Robson founded the Robson Gun Club in Robson, La. during that time. Among numerous awards, E. Robson won the La. State Singles Championship 50 years before William took the same title. Genevieve walked away with the Lady's Handicap Championship award during the same period. She was the first lady to take this award, and she has many other honors to her credit.

Being exposed to trapshooting all his life, William started his trapshooting career in 1960, took time off between 1969 and 1977 to become an ardent bass fisherman, and then continued shooting until 2001. He has taken nine awards at the Southwestern Zone shoots between 1980 and 1992 including the ATA doubles champion in 1987. He has taken at least 40 awards at various La. state shoots from 1964 through 1998. Among those awards were two singles championships, four doubles championships, and two all-around championships.

An avid supporter of the sport, William, along with his wife, Lynda, found time to travel to contests in Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Nevada, Ohio, Kansas and Missouri. He frequented the Grand American between 1977 and 1985. He and Lynda became members and active supporters at the Shreveport Gun Club for many years, giving of their time and financial assistance. Although the ATA records are a bit sketchy in years past, they show William's lifetime achievements as 34,000 singles, 30,325 handicap, and 22,750 doubles for a total of 87,075.

Although William has been retired from trapshooting for several years, he still remains active in his farm business. He enjoys reading and watching sports on TV, and he takes pride in his collection of knives and firearms.

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