

Shirley Bennett-Anderson began a mission to "Keep the Secretariat Legacy Alive" in 2009 by breeding exclusively to Champion Stallions which carried Secretariat bloodlines. Secretariat's Fire, his last producing daughter in the world, foaled two grandsons for Shirley. The first, Secretariat's Glory, was a surprise birthday gift and was listed on the 2013 KY Derby contender list along with another descendant, My Storm Trooper. Both were side-lined with injuries. Her introduction to the world of racing was an eye-opener. Then her disappointment escalated when a devastating phone call on 12/10/ 2015 notified her that her 2nd Secretariat grandson, Johnny Leroy (named in honor of her late husband) was euthanized at a South Florida training track just weeks before his first race.

The tragedy reads like a Hollywood Script, but the story isn't finished. Shirley's original mission to grow the "Secretariat Family Tree" had just been chopped in half. After much sorrowful prayer, she withdrew from racing to pursue another direction...one which takes her back to her thirty year career of helping people. Shirley's new vision is to use her Secretariat family members to help heal Veterans and Special Needs Children at Glory Meadows.

My Inspiration... My Heroes John Albert Anderson & Secretariat's Glory



Help fulfill this God-Inspired Vision
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Glory Meadows

Therapeutic Equine Center

Featuring

Secretariat Descendants



In memory of WWII Veteran, John Anderson,
who died on Pearl Harbor Day of 2014 and his
name-sake, Johnny Leroy, who died
12-10-2015

Who We Are

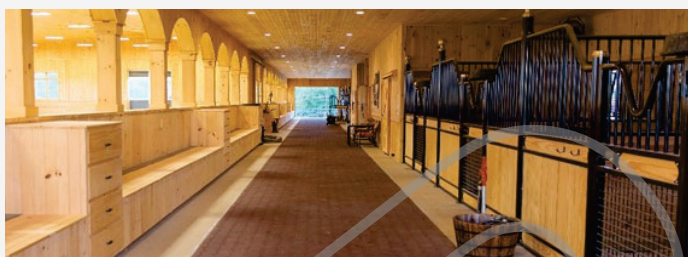


Our Programs

The Vision...



Shirley's vision is to build this State-of-the Art Stables with an adjoining arena for Glory Meadows therapy programs. It has been a God-inspired "dream in the making" and 2017 is when she hopes to see it materialize. She is seeking Prayer Warriors to be in agreement to see the fulfillment of her vision.



Glory Meadows will employ certified personnel and volunteer members to fulfill its mission to reach out to "at-risk" groups under the guidelines of the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International.



About Us...

We are Secretariat descendants helping Shirley Bennett-Anderson fulfill her late husband's last "Bucket List Wish". At 97 years young, **John Anderson** wanted to reach out to his fellow Veterans suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome, known as PTSD, and to Special Needs Children. The Equine Therapy program will honor Shirley's two "Johnny's".

Glory Meadows will use the Team Approach with an Equine Specialist, a Mental Health Professional, and horses working together with clients during therapy sessions.

About the Need...

The U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs estimates that Post Traumatic Stress afflicts as many as one-quarter of the troops returning from the Middle East, or about 300,000 men and women. The growing field of Equine Assisted Psychotherapy is showing great promise in treating veterans and their families who suffer from the debilitating effects of this invisible, yet very real disability.

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Every benefit the horses provide for the Veterans also applies to other life-issues such as physical or sexual abuse, abandonment, life-altering illness and Special Needs Children, especially Autism.



Horses naturally lend themselves as effective agents of change, including self-awareness, and honesty. They have no agenda and their magical, non-verbal communication helps alleviate most fears and anxieties.