

RAND DROESCHER

Randy Droescher was probably the most dedicated sprint car driver over the longest time span in this area. Droescher began racing in the Norfolk, Nebraska area at the age of 15 in 1964. Except for a stint in the U.S. Army, he raced regularly through 2012. In 1976, he joined several other drivers from the Norfolk area in traveling to compete in the Sioux Falls area. For most of the next 20 years, Randy and his family would leave their home in Hadar, Nebraska every Friday afternoon during the racing season to race Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights in the Sioux Falls area before returning home early Monday morning. In 1996, the Droescher family relocated to Larchwood, Iowa, primarily to be closer to the local racing scene. Droescher claimed championships in 1990 at Hartford Speedway in Hartford, South Dakota and at Lake County Speedway in Madison, South Dakota in 2007. He won the three-track, combined title for the NMRA in 2007 and finished second by a handful of points at both Huset's and Jackson in 1980. A mechanic by trade, he not only drove, but worked on his cars and built his own engines. Throughout his career, he had the full support of his wife of 40 years, Dianne. "Momma D" - as she is known to most in the pit area - almost always drove the tow vehicle during the long hauls from Nebraska and was always at his side in the pit area.