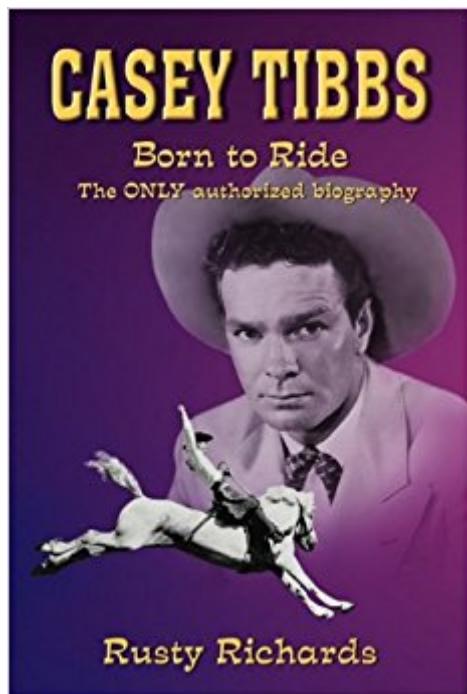


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# Casey Tibbs - Born To Ride



## **Synopsis**

Rodeo superstar Casey Tibbs lives again in Rusty Richards' authorized biography of the memorable, charismatic cowboy from South Dakota. Movingly written, Richards spent over twenty years meticulously researching, interviewing, and capturing vibrant memories and recollections of the six-time world champion saddle bronc rider. Born in a log home in the wilds of South Dakota, the youngest of ten children, Tibbs grew to be the most well-known, popular rodeo star of all time. Richards' biography is all-inclusive and also covers the Roberts family, including rodeo greats Ken, Gerald, and E.C. Roberts, along with Jim Shoulders, Deb Copenhaver, Carl Olson, Ben Johnson, Gene Pruett, Bill Linderman and so many more. In addition, Richards recounts Casey's phenomenal success in Hollywood and his friendship with Audie Murphy, his Las Vegas associations, and his world tours promoting rodeo and the Wild West. Richards does not gloss over Casey's battles with alcohol and gambling addictions, either. This is a biography that inspires, amuses, saddens, and gives real meaning to determination and grit. Casey Tibbs deserves to have his story told, and Rusty Richards has done an excellent job of doing so.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Casey Tibbs - Born to Ride by: Rusty Richards I have to be honest, growing up in the outskirts of New York City left me pretty dumb when it came to anyone with the talents of the man I was to meet in this book. I was not one who went to rodeos or followed anything of that sort, nor did I know the depth of such people, their lifestyles or what was required of them. The life story of Casey Tibbs, as told by Rusty Richards, was quite an interesting read and an eye-opener for me. Inside the pages of this book I met the man who was a true American Legend and learned much about a world I never

knew before. We are taken back to his humble beginnings, his family and the tragedies and battles he endured and overcame. Casey knew from a young boy what he wanted out of life, but he soon found it did not match what his father wanted him to have. He would have some tough decisions to make for his future, and the road would often be a lonely one. However, he was determined and his face set as stone knowing full well what he wanted out of life and ready to work to achieve that goal. We are privileged to read stories of his travels, his adventures, and his personal life - both victories and failures. Some incidents were humorous, others heart-felt, but each give the reader needed insight into the life of this legend of a man. I am convinced that no one knew horses or understood the world that they were the stars in more than Casey Tibbs. From roundups to winning awards and insight into the very heart and soul of Casey Tibbs, this book has it all. I am honored that now I have a knowledge of a great American Legend that I will not soon forget. For all who love a slice of the true west, a big bite of rodeo history and just a downright great story about one exceptional man, you will love this book. Very well done, recommended. --Shirley Johnson, Midwest Book Review  
--Shirley Johnson, MidWest Book ReviewOver the years I have read many books about cowboys, but this book about Casey Tibbs is at the top of the list! I just wanted to tell you that this is the best damn book about a cowboy, by a cowboy, that I have ever read, and if you aren't a cowboy by the time you finish reading it, then there was never any hope for ya! --Harry Carey, Jr. Author of Company of Heroes, Life as an Actor in the John Ford Stock Company --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Rusty Richards calls himself a cowboy who sings, and he has experienced the cowboy life in almost every way possible. He began breaking horses when he was twelve, worked on ranches, and at age sixteen had his own TV show called Song Trails with Rusty Richards. After three years in the Marines he entered Eldon Yoast Rodeos around California, riding bulls and broncs. Rusty worked in films as an extra and did stunt work. When the TV Westerns began to fade, Rusty received a call from a friend who told him The Sons of the Pioneers was looking for a tenor, and that Rusty had been recommended. Rusty joined the group and his career with them spanned twenty-one years. While with the Sons of the Pioneers, the group was inducted into the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, and the group's star was placed in the Hollywood Walk of Fame. The Smithsonian Institution declared the group a National Treasure, and the Academy of Country Music awarded them The Best Touring Band. Rusty has received two Pioneer Awards in Arizona, is a Member of the Colorado Country Music Hall of Fame and a Member of the Aksarben Hall of Fame in Omaha, Nebraska. The National Western Film Festival in Ogden, Utah, presented Rusty with The Golden

Lariat Award, and the California Country Music Association gave him the Pioneer Award. The National Festival of the West awarded him the Cowboy Spirit Award, and the Western Film Festival in Sonora, California, presented Rusty with The Ben Johnson Award. In 2004 Rusty was inducted into the Western Music Hall of Fame. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I finally got the full story of Casey Tibbs, and the time of his death. Good read

A very good book about a great man. I really liked it. I'll read it again someday.

I LOVED this book. Partly because I had heard stories about Casey Tibbs and I also have been around rodeo for a long time. Casey had a rough upbringing to then excell in the sport of rodeo and to also be a driving force in making rodeo what it is today. If you like cowboys, rodeo and their way of life be sure to read this great book.

Great Rider and showman

Enjoyed it

Good account, by a champion rodeo bronc rider in the 1950's & 60's

My sister-in-law was the Rodeo Queen in our town - he wanted to date her but her six brothers had the final say! It wasn't "yes"!

This is the best book about a true cowboy I have ever read. Enjoyed every page!! Brought back good memories of attending many rodeos where Casey Tibbs was the champion!

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