



# Johnny Rutherford



*Ambassador of Auto Racing*



Johnny Rutherford, known to racing fans as “Lone Star JR”, began racing in 1959. During his highly successful career, Johnny was the National Sprint Car Champion in 1965 and became a household name with his first Indianapolis 500 mile race win in 1974.

Johnny has won the Indianapolis 500 three times. And, while finishing in the top ten for 157 out of 318 Indy car starts, he has been in the victory circle at every major race track in the nation.

Rutherford has represented numerous companies in radio, print, and television commercials. He has also been an auto racing TV analyst for NBC, ABC, CBS, and ESPN.

Johnny Rutherford continues to serve the racing community and is a special events coordinator for the Indy Racing League. He is also a racing consultant to Team Pennzoil.

A true racing legend, Johnny and his wife, Betty (shown above), are fan favorites.