

## Mayfield Tralene

(May 30, 1975 x August 29, 1984)

In the world of Morgan horses, few names stir the heart quite like *Mayfield Tralene*. Born in 1975, bred by Morgan Farm, and this chestnut mare and athleticism of her that captivated judges, alike. Her story is one and enduring legacy.

From her earliest days, Mayfield Farm bred Phantom and Philaires Claire Errington. Jack

from Janine Smith in 1979. When Mayfield Tralene first arrived at the Reeves family farm, not everyone was convinced. Geoff and Greg Reeves, seasoned horsemen themselves, were puzzled by their father's choice.

"She moved like a reindeer," they joked, unimpressed by the little mare's awkward gait and unassuming presence. They gave her a pass.

But Karen Reeves saw something different. Eager for a show horse and undeterred by first impressions, she believed Tralene had untapped potential. That belief found its footing when renowned farrier Richard MacKenzie stepped in. With a skilled hand and a keen eye, he fitted Tralene with her first set of show shoes—and everything changed.

The "reindeer" transformed.

Suddenly, Tralene was popping across the arena with elegance and fire. She dazzled in English Pleasure, thrilled in Pleasure Driving, and even held her own in Western Pleasure—a rare trifecta that few horses master. Her rise was meteoric, and her doubters quickly became her biggest fans. Geoff loved to show her in Pleasure Driving, In Hand and Western Pleasure.

With a refined build and expressive movement, she quickly became a standout in the show ring. Over the course of her career, she amassed a dazzling collection of ribbons—each one a testament to her versatility and poise. Whether in harness, under saddle, or in-hand, Tralene was the embodiment of the Morgan ideal: beauty, brains, and boundless heart.

One of her most endearing traits was the ability to go from a wound-up English Pleasure, to a calm Western Pleasure. Melissa Blease Secord remembers showing this mare in Syracuse New York in Walk Trot, later that day she could get up into her



the University of Vermont registered to Norma May, carried not only the grace breed but also a spirit riders, and spectators of brilliance, heartbreak,

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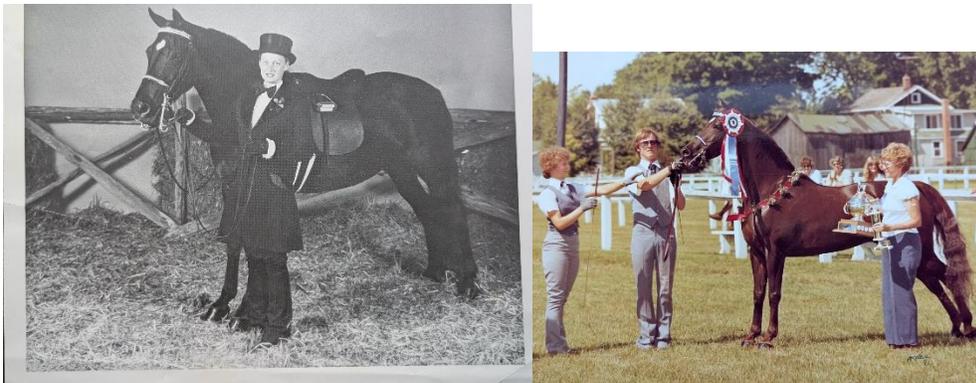
bridle and dazzle in English Pleasure! Her accolades were many, but none more prestigious than her six Justin Morgan Awards—an honour reserved for horses who exemplify the breed's founding traits. She also earned the coveted Superior Versatility Award, a rare distinction that underscored her excellence across multiple disciplines.

Beyond the spotlight, Tralene's legacy grew through her offspring. She was the proud dam of two foals: *Philaire's Phalene*, who inherited her mother's elegance and drive, and *Chestnut Hill Mr. T*, a spirited champion stallion whose presence echoed Tralene's own charisma. Through them, her lineage continues to shape the Morgan breed.

Tragically, Tralene's life was cut short in 1983 due to a trailering mishap—a loss that sent ripples through the Morgan community. Her untimely death ended a career that still had so much to give, but it did not dim the light she left behind. So much kindness was shown to the family at the time of her passing. The Gonzalves family had her shoes bronzed and mounted on a plaque that still hangs in Geoff's barn.

Now, more than four decades later, *Mayfield Tralene* is being inducted into the Ontario Morgan Horse Club Hall of Fame. It's a fitting tribute to a mare whose impact transcended her years. Her story reminds us that greatness isn't measured only in longevity, but in the depth of impression left behind.

As her name joins the ranks of legends, one thing is certain: Mayfield Tralene will never be forgotten. Her hoofbeats may have faded, but her legacy trots on.



Karen Hugya

## PHENTON

### HSH SMOOTH OPERATOR

(May 7, 2005 - August 3, 2025)

He came into my life when I least expected it - he was a dream that came true. As a young teenager I was very lucky to be a trial guide at South Algonquin Trails during the summers. There was always plenty of horses to ride through the forests of Algonquin. But this little guy stood out. He was only 15.2hh, he was not a customer horse but rather a favourite for our staff ride. His name was Phenton. On October 7, 2011 we took Phenton on a free lease to Kitchener, ON for the winter. He was a "wild" boy full of personality, but I did not care. Over the next couple of months, we got to know each other and I began to figure this little guy out.

In early January 2012 we knew Phenton was pretty special. He was so willing and always wanted to play and jump the sticks. We learned that he was a Morgan (his dam was Lauralee Cordilia and his sire was The Corsican Bay) apparently, he had good bloodlines!



Over the coming months we trained and started to show in the spring of 2013 on the South West Trillium Circuit in the 0.9 Jumpers. The class had approximately 15 jumpers and Phenton or should I say, Smooth Operator, took home his first win. So onto the next show and he won. Everyone thought he was a small Thoroughbred. When we boasted that he was a Morgan people just stood back and said "really".

From 2013 to 2019, Phenton completed and won the following:

2013 Trillium Overall Season Champion 0.9m Jr/Am Jumper

2014 Trillium Overall Season Champion 0.9m Jr/Am Jumper

2014 Trillium Championship 0.9m Mini Prix

2016 Trillium Overall Season Champion 1.0m Jumper

2017 Trillium Overall Season Reserve Champion 1.10m Jumper

2018 Trillium Overall Season Champion 1.0m Jumper

2019 Trillium Overall Season Champion 1.0m Jumper

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From 2021 to August 2025 Phenton was on top of the following shows:

- 2021 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 9<sup>th</sup> 1.0m Jumpers
- 2021 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 8<sup>th</sup> 1.10m Jumpers
- 2022 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season Champion 1.0m Jumpers
- 2022 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 7<sup>th</sup> 1.10m Jumpers
- 2023 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season Champion 1.0m Jumpers
- 2023 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 3<sup>rd</sup> 1.10m Jumpers
- 2023 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 3<sup>rd</sup> Equine Choice Grand Prix
- 2023 Angelstone Silver Series Provincial Playoffs Reserve Champion 1.0m Jumpers
- 2025 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 4<sup>th</sup> 0.9m Jumpers
- 2025 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 11<sup>th</sup> 1.0m Jumpers
- 2025 Angelstone Silver Series Overall Season 8<sup>th</sup> 1.10m Jumpers

On July 24-27, 2025 we celebrated my "Last Ride Before A Bride" on the Silver Series. This was 2 weeks before my wedding day. Phenton was now holding 1<sup>st</sup> place for the season in the .9's and 8<sup>th</sup> in the 1.0m and on July 27<sup>th</sup> we made it to the podium in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Grand Prix. Little did I know that this was actually my last ride before becoming a bride.

He was famous everyone knew his name. Coaches thought he was such a cool dude.

Phenton was not only well decorated in the Hunter/ Jumper world. He had also received countless provincial and national awards with the CMHA and the OMHC including the 2014 EC Breed Sport Horse Morgan of the Year as well as the recipient of the 2019 Superior Justin Morgan Award.

Phenton, at the age of 20, suffered a catastrophic colic and passed on August 3, 2025. I was not at his side but, I am sure he planned it that way.

Phenton was my ride or die, my teammate, my love and my whole heart. I trusted him with everything in me. I knew he would never put a foot wrong and would do whatever he could for me. He was born a champion and died a champion and we were proud ambassadors for the Morgan breed. He rests at our farm.

Emily Gaynor

