

2022 WORLD CHAMPION TEAM ROPING HEELER

HOMETOWN: POULAN, GA

AGE: 52

The father and son team of Braxton and Brad Culpepper came into IFR53 with a comfortable lead over the field. They had a stellar year in the IPRA dominating the standings most of the season.

In August, the family had a tragedy while at a rodeo in Kansas and lost both of their team roping horses.

"Truthfully, we're still trying to rally back from the accident," said Brad prior to the IFR. "Team roping is our passion, and we love to rope. We had raised both horses that we lost and had been riding them for several years. They were our best horses."

"Braxton and I were both riding green horses at the finals. We didn't have the IFR we had hoped for, but it was amazing to win a gold buckle with my son."