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# JOHNNY TRIGG

## Pitmaster Category

With more than 60 grand championships and countless category wins to his name, Johnny Trigg of Smokin' Triggers has cooked more than 600 events during his storied career. Since he began cooking competitively in 1990, Johnny has become one of the most successful pitmasters in barbecue.

Traveling from his home in Alvarado, Texas, Johnny has logged hundreds of thousands of miles competing in nearly every corner of the United States as well as parts of Europe. Along the way, Smokin' Triggers has established itself as one of the premiere barbecue teams on the circuit, winning National Champion honors in 2003 and National Runner-Up twice. In addition, Smokin' Triggers has nabbed the Kansas City Barbeque Society Team of the Year multiple times, and with victories in 2000 and 2003, Johnny became the first and only two-time Jack Daniel's World Invitational Barbecue Champion.

Johnny's biggest trophy of all, though, has to be the Harley Davidson motorcycle awarded him for winning the LPQue BBQ Championship in 2007. His most cherished prize is the grand championship he won on national television during Kingsford's "BBQ Pitmasters Season 3." In addition to that memorable career moment, Johnny will never forget a USO-sponsored mission to Kuwait, where he and five fellow pitmasters fed authentic barbecue to more than 5,000 U.S. military troops. Feared most by fellow competitors for his award winning ribs and brisket, Johnny remains the oldest active competitor in barbecue, and he has no intention of slowing down anytime soon.