

# RALPH MOODY

**Born:** Nov. 9, 1918    **Died:** June 9, 2004

**Hometown:** Taunton, Massachusetts

## Championships (2)

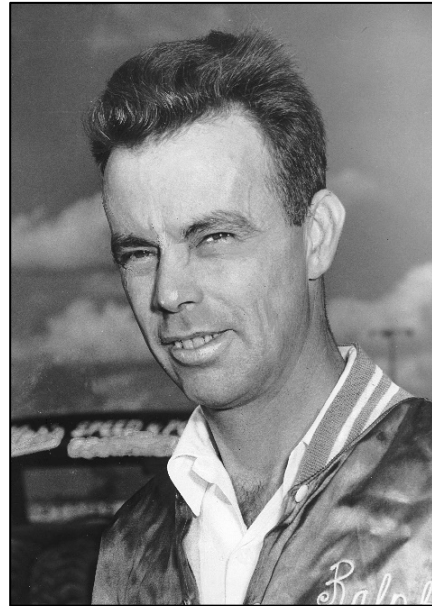
Cup: 1968-69 (owner)

## Cup Series Owner Stats

**Competed:** 1957-1973

**Starts:** 525 **Wins:** 96 **Poles:** 83

**Years on Ballot:** 5



For Massachusetts native Ralph Moody, it all started with a Motel T Ford he built in 1935 and raced on nights and weekends.

After driving a tank under the command of General George S. Patton in World War II, he moved to Florida in 1949 so he could race year-round. Moody won five NASCAR Cup series races from 1956-57.

The mechanically skilled Moody paired with business-minded John Holman to form Homan-Moody Racing in 1957, forming the foundation of a powerhouse NASCAR team. Holman-Moody competed from 1957-73 winning consecutive championships with David Pearson (1968-69) and taking the checkered flag with Mario Andretti at the 1967 Daytona 500.

Some of the sport's most legendary figures piloted cars owned by Holman-Moody Racing, including NASCAR Hall of Famers Joe Weatherly, Fred Lorenzen, Fireball Roberts, Bobby Allison and Pearson.

Overall, the Homan-Moody partnership earned 96 wins and 83 poles in 525 premier starts