

Finally in Brenham!

By Dorothy Morgan



Well I finally have my Lustre Rose round footed fruit bowl sitting where I can see the brilliant iridescence everyday . I have wanted this spectacular piece of carnival glass when I first saw it in 1996 or 1997 at the home of Preston Wells . Preston had found this fruit bowl in the Broadway Antique Mall in San Antonio. I just lusted over this bowl and begged Preston to sell it to me. Needless to say he stayed strong and decided not to sell it and instead put it in his auction that was held by Mickey Reichel in 1999.

Well, off Emmett and I go to Booneville with the intention of taking this piece home. Now let me make it clear that is what I wanted but Emmett wanted Preston's great purple Poppy Show plate. So we arrive at the auction, the iridescence was still there and the auction started.



Unbeknown to me Joyce Seale wanted it too! We started bidding and bidding. I did not want to give up but I just could not pull the trigger to raise my hand when it had reached \$3100!

Joyce sold her wonderful collection at HOAGA this April and the wonderful fruit bowl was in the auction and this time Joyce could not bid against me! A miracle was going to happen now because Emmett was determined to bring this piece home to Mama! We were successful even though others also had the intention to want to take it home.

I am so proud of this great bowl. It is now going in our second collection so do not expect it to be in our auction next year! Sorry to disappoint those that were bidding against Emmett.

These purple fruit bowls are very rare and desirable especially with this iridescence. The top honors go the red fruit bowls which one day we might have the chance to own.



Now if you thought you would go to the mall in San Antonio unfortunately it has closed. Preston is not collecting as much as he used to and Joyce is still our very best friend. Right Joyce?? Thanks again Joyce for having this in your auction and I know you can now bid against me again because it will not be your auction. By the way, Emmett got the great Poppy show plate which is another story one day.