

## The Greatest of All Time

RACER's Readership Speaks and Makes an Apparently Obvious Choice

hen we began pulling our American Driver of the Century poll together, the consensus was it would be primarily a contest among three giants of the sport: A.J. Foyt, Richard Petty and Mario Andretti. When the votes began to come in, however,

a different tale was quickly told. Mario took the lead on the first day and never looked back, ultimately being selected on more than three-quarters of all ballots cast. Foyt and Petty received—remarkably—an identical number of votes, but they were included on just less than half the ballots. No one else was really close. In politics they would call that a landslide, and thus do we salute Mario Andretti as RACER's American Driver of the Century.