

Chuck Norris

(Subset of Most Recent Accomplishments)

1989: Masters Doubles 1st

(w/Jim Allis), Fir Cone Tavern, WA

1991: Open Doubles 1st (w/Mike Deangelo), Club Tavern, OR;

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Jim Allis), 99 Tavern, OR

1992: Open Doubles 2nd (w/Mike

Waters), Club Tavern, OR; **Draw**

Partner 2nd (w/Barb Wochnick),

Costigan's, WA; **Open Doubles 2nd**

(w/Gary George), Acme Tavern, WA;

Open Singles & Open Doubles 1st

(w/ Gary George), Crazy Canucks,

CAN; **Open Doubles 1st** (w/Darrol

Nelson, Club Tavern, OR

1993: Sweetheart Mixed Doubles

2nd (w/Barb Wochnick), WA; **Open**

Singles 2nd, Crazy Canucks, CAN;

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Steve Bjorn),

Acme Tavern, WA

1994: Draw Partner 1st (w/Frank

Hepler), Shamrock Tavern, WA;

Open Singles 2nd, Whistling Oyster,

WA; **Open Singles 1st & Doubles 1st**

(w/Mike Thorpe), Crazy Canucks,

CAN; **Open Doubles 1st** (w/ Doug

Buhl), Tim's Timber, WA; **Open**

Doubles 2nd (w/ Mike Thorpe),

Shamrock Tavern, WA

1995: Open Doubles 1st (w/Mike

Thorpe), Corner Tavern, WA; **Draw**

Partner 2nd (w/ Tom Henry), Shamrock

Tavern, WA; **Open Singles 2nd &**

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Rick Gindt),

Season Ticket, WA; **Open Singles 1st**

& Doubles 2nd (w/ Doug Buhl), Crazy

Canucks, CAN; **Open Doubles 2nd**

(w/ Mike Thorpe), Shamrock Tavern,

WA

1996: Masters Doubles 1st

(w/Dennis "Sparky" Sparkman), Fir

Cone Tavern, WA; **Open Draw 1st**

(w/Bill Maxwell), Whistling Oyster, WA;

Open Singles 1st (3rd Repeat!), Crazy

Canucks, CAN; **Doubles 2nd** (w/Larry

Pearson), now known as the "Nelson -

Buhl Open", Shamrock Tavern, WA;

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Jim Allis),

BZ's Sports Bar, WA

1997: Draw Doubles 2nd (w/Mike

Waters), Shamrock Tavern, WA;

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Tom Henry),

Tim's Timber, WA; **Open Singles 3rd**,

NASC Reno 1997, NV

1998: Open Singles 1st & Open

Doubles 2nd (w/Dick Heflin), Tolo

Tavern, OR; **Mixed Doubles 1st**

(w/Linda Steffensen), Shamrock

Tavern, WA; **Open Doubles 2nd**

(w/Doug Buhl), Eagles Club, OR

1999: Open Doubles 2nd (w/Dick

Heflin), Tolo Tavern, WA; **Open**

Doubles 2nd, (w/ Dennis (Sparky)

Sparkman, Tim's Timber, WA;

Open Doubles 2nd (w/Steve Bjorn),

Acme Tavern, WA; **Open Doubles 2nd**,

(w/Dick Heflin), Whistling Oyster, WA;

"55 & Over" **Draw Doubles 1st**,

(w/John Martin), Shamrock Tavern, WA;

2000: Draw Doubles (w/Gary

Thompson), Shamrock Tavern, WA;

Mixed Doubles 2nd, (w/Linda Steffenson)

Shamrock Tavern, WA; **Open Singles 2nd**,

Willie's/99 Tavern, OR

2001: Open Doubles 1st (w/Hal Perry),

Willie's/99 Tavern, OR

2002: 1st Pro Crazy 8, NASC Reno

2002, NV; **Pacific NW Hall of Fame**

ceremony held at Willie's/99 Tavern, OR

Chuck Norris

1941-2002

Table Shuffleboard Association

Hall of Fame Induction

November 1, 2002 - TSA HOF Inductee Ceremony

NASC Reno 2002, Reno, Nevada

Chuck Norris



December 10, 1941 - January 3, 2002

The Table Shuffleboard Association's Board of Directors and the shuffleboard community, friends, and family proudly present the TSA Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

"Player & Promoter" Award to Chuck Norris (posthumously) on this 1st day of

November 2002!

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Chuck Norris (Charles Eston Norris), Pacific NW Shuffleboard Hall of Famer, was born December 10, 1941, three days after the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor, in Dallas, Oregon. The family moved to Roseburg when Chuck was six. His parents, Stanford & Clara (Teeter)

Norris, were in the logging industry, his father a log truck driver and his mother a secretary for the trucking company, both retired from there. Chuck (Charles is what his parents called him) went to elementary, Jr. & High School in Roseburg and graduated in 1960.

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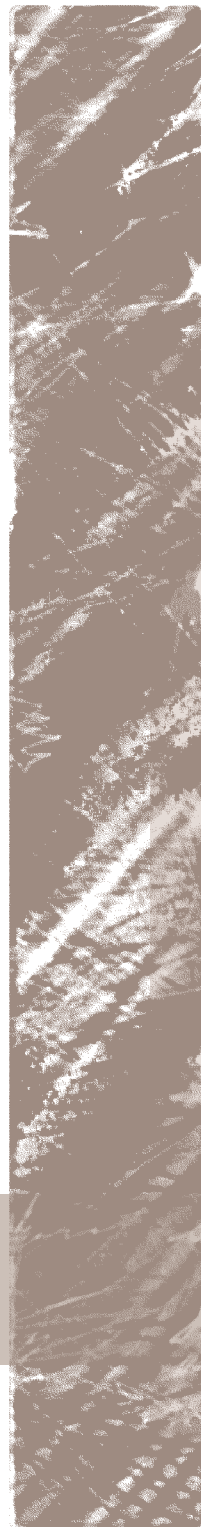
He played trumpet for the high school band and in his senior year they participated in the Rose Festival Parade. He went to the University of Oregon for a year and then moved back to Roseburg and where he went to work for a local mill. Word has it that about that time is when his fascination with shuffleboard started. He told stories of "sneaking into bars" (when underage) to learn and play.

Chuck met and married a young woman, Patricia, and when they both realized that this young marriage wasn't going to work, they divorced and Chuck joined the Navy. He was shipped to Germany by Naval Submarine. The Navy, recognizing Chuck's musical talent, hooked him up with two other talented musicians and this successful trio toured Germany as American Goodwill Ambassadors. He was honorably discharged in 1967 and returned to Oregon where he went back to school and got a purchasing agent job.

Chuck married a second time, Sharon, and adopted her two daughters: Cheri and LeAnna shortly after he and Sharon had their son Tony. The family lived in Olympia, Washington until Chuck landed a job in Eugene, Oregon. They divorced in 1979.



In the summer of 1979, Chuck met Carol at a softball game. Carol noticed him from across the field and was impressed with how smartly dressed he was. For her it was "love at first site" for gun-shy Chuck. Carol claims six grueling months of unmerciful flirting and on her birthday in December 1979 they became lifetime partners, lovers, best friends for the rest of Chuck's life (22 years). Carol has two sons, Chris and Steve. Chuck grew to love these boys and their families very much. When the first grandchild was born they stepped into the role of "grandpa and grandma." Nick was a premie with some health problems and when "grandpa and grandma" took care of him it was Chuck who walked the floor at night, dancing and singing the boy to sleep. Their grandchildren are Nick (15), Liz (13), Kirsten (5), and Katelynn (3). Grandpa and Katelynn had a very special bond.



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He always wanted to be the best at anything he did... although he loved fishing, hunting, golf, bowling and playing pool, (complete with trophies for all) his love of the game of shuffleboard took over. "We lived in Eugene and drove to Portland each weekend to play Friday nights at the Black Cat," remembers Carol, it was there Chuck watched Billy Mays put on an exhibition, he was thrilled, that was the clincher for Chuck.

When the company that he worked for in Eugene closed the doors, Chuck started looking for work. His search took him to the Portland School System. Moving to Portland is when Chuck felt that his game really started to improve (longtime good friend Ruthie Miles agrees). She (a Realtor) sold them a home, and getting a plank through the basement window became a priority. Carol remembers he took that Rockola apart a piece at a time, refinishing each one, then put it back together, it was his pride & joy, and it's beautiful.

Chuck decided he wanted to play like Darrol Nelson, he watched him, played him, played him, and then watched some more. Chuck respected Darrol, and believed him to be the best player in the World.

He beat Darrol a time or two but his win in 2001 in Winston with Hal Perry against Darrol & Doug Buhl, was a treasured 20+ year dream of his.



In October 2001 in Reno, Chuck again defied the odds health-wise and won the Pro Crazy 8's. After that trip, he never really regained his strength and on January 3, 2002 his heart gave out. Gone is the great shuffleboard player. However, his spirit lives on and he will be remembered for his polite quietness, his snappy attire, and the gentleman in him, as well as his great playing, he was a great dancer and loved to sing. He discovered Karoke 5 or 6 years ago with his favorite being Sinatra's "I Did It My Way"... and he did!

