Iowa State
USBC Women's Bowling Association Inc.

Hall of Fame

2017

Virginia Johnson

It is with great pleasure that we induct Virginia Johnson into the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Assn., Inc. Hall of Fame for her skill in the Game of American Ten Pins.

Virginia started bowling in 1951 as a senior in high school in Eagle Grove where her brother was a "pin boy". She married in

1954 and settled in Cedar Falls where she bowled with the DX Team (her fellow employees) at the Tavern on the Green in Waterloo.

She joined the local 600 club in 1960, soon becoming a 600 club officer. She has bowled over 100 – 600's (high 691), has 1 - 600 club doubles championship and 4 all-events championships.

She was one of two bowlers who qualified to bowl with Pro Bowler Joe Joseph in 1969.

At the city level she has numerous championships:

1962 – Scratch Doubles, Scratch and Hdcp All-Events
1963, 1966, 1975, 1991—Scratch Team
1965—Scratch Team, Scratch Singles and Scratch All-Events
2012—Scratch and Hdcp Team

At the state level she has the following championship:

1964—Class A Team—See Electric—2744
1980—Class A Singles—643
1989—Class A Team—Fran's Pro Shop—2777

At the national level:

1964—Division 1—5th place Team—See Electric

Most of Virginia's bowling accomplishments were done when bowling ball technology was old school with rubber and plastic bowling balls. In those times she carried averages from 170-187. As she has aged, her average has consistently been in the 170's and upper 160's ending with a 169 at the age of 83 years young.

On the service side of bowling she was a Cedar Falls Women's Bowling Association Director for 3 years.

She was honored with induction into her local Hall of Fame in 1985.

Virginia says she only bowled once a week but subbed a lot. She loves the fun and friendships made all the 60 plus years of her

bowling career. Being a member of the State Hall of Fame has got to be the top award a bowler could receive!

She has been an inspiration to many bowlers over the year and has had success on the lanes the rest of us dream about.

Please join us in congratulating Virginia on her induction in the Iowa State USBC WBA Hall of Fame.