

# North Carolina's Hall of Famers - From Golf to Bowling to Softball to Basketball

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Estelle Lawson Page in the 1930s and 1940s won the Carolinas States Women's Amateur title eight years, the Women's North and South Amateur seven years, and the Women's Southern Amateur once. She captured the United States Women's Amateur crown in 1937. She twice played on the Curtis Cup team. Page twice was named the Outstanding Female Amateur Athlete in the Carolinas and has been elected to the Carolinas Golf Hall of Fame.

Peggy Kirk Bell won three Ohio state women's titles, the North and South Amateur, and the Titleholders in the late 1940s. As an amateur she played on the Curtis Cup team twice and as a professional she competed on the Weather Vane team once. The Ladies Professional Golf Association recognized her as Teacher of the Year, Master Teacher, and Professional of the Year. She has been inducted into the Carolinas Golf Hall of Fame.

Joining Page and Bell in the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame was Maxine Allen. Ranked number one in duckpin bowling in 1952, Allen held over 50 world's records in this sport during her career. She won numerous tournaments including the United States Classic, the Dixie Classic, and the National Duckpin Bowling Congress All Events Championship. She has been inducted into the National Duckpin Bowling Congress Hall of Fame.

Three inductees into the North Carolina Softball Hall of Fame have been Bertha Johnson Dunne, Eunies Futch, and Eckie Jordon. Dunn's pitching feats of no-hitters, perfect games, and strike-outs led her teams to state and regional championships in the 1940s. Acclaimed as the nation's number two pitcher in 1945, she received the Teague Award as the Outstanding Female Amateur Athlete in the Carolinas.

Futch and Jordan as teammates in the 1950s led their Hanes and Asheboro teams to seven state and three regional softball championships. Both were consistently chosen All-State and All-Southern Regional. Playing for Hanes Hosier's basketball team Futch at guard and Jordan as a forward led their team to three National Amateur Athletic Union Championships. Futch was named an All-American three years while Jordan was honored by selection five years. Each was named the Outstanding Female Amateur Athlete in the Carolinas. Jordan also was inducted into the Helms Hall of Fame.



Pam Emory, Jody Davenport, Emelia-Louis Kilby, and Maryanne Schumm immediately following their session on sport biography.