



## **LINDA DODSON**

Linda was born in San Antonio, Texas, met her husband Al in Lafayette, La., and they settled in Morgan City, La. in 1968, where they raised two daughters. Linda is a retired Office Manager for a local dentist, where she worked for 31 years.

Linda started playing horseshoes in 1997, when she joined the first horseshoe Club in St. Mary Parish, the LA 70 Ringers.

In December of 1997, the LA 70 Ringers and the Atchafalaya Horseshoe Club merged and became the Bayou Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Linda was elected the Club's first Secretary, a position she held until 2012.

She was elected the third President of the BHPA in 2013, a position she held until 2021.

Her accomplishments on the Courts include:

LA70 Ringers Club Champion in 1999 and 2002.

BHPA League Champion Team in 1999 and 2006

Member of winning La. Team in La/Miss. Challenge in 1999 and 2000

BHPA Singles City Champion in 1999

BHPA City Doubles Champion in 2006, 2007, and 2018

BHPA Rookie of the Year 1998

BHPA Player of the Year 1999

BHPA Sportsman of Year 2003, 2009, 2015, and 2016

BHPA Most Improved Player 1999, 2003, 2017, and 2023.

Set a BHPA Record (Probably a State record also) for most improved in 1999 increasing her average by 32.4%, from 8% to 40.4% in one season

Her State achievements include:

1999: 2nd Class "B" State Singles  
2002: 3rd Class "B" State Doubles  
2004: 3rd Class "A" State Mixed Doubles  
2005: State Champion Class "A" Mixed Doubles  
2006: 3rd Class "A" State Singles  
2007: State Champion Class "B" Mixed Doubles  
2008: State Champion Class "B" Mixed Doubles  
2009: 3rd Class "A" State Doubles  
2010: 3rd Class "B" State Mixed Doubles  
2011: State Champion Class "B" Mixed Doubles  
2012: 2nd Class "A" State Doubles, and 3rd Class "B" State Singles  
2013: 3rd Class "B" State Mixed Doubles  
2015: 3rd Class "A" State Mixed Doubles, and 3rd Class "A" State Singles  
2016: State Champion Class "A" Mixed Doubles  
2017: 2nd Class "A" State Doubles  
2018: 2nd Class "A" State Doubles  
2019: 2nd Class "B" Louisiana Open  
2021: 3rd Class "A" State Mixed Doubles  
2023: State Champion Class "B" Singles, and 3rd Class "A" State Doubles  
2024: 2nd Class "B" State Singles  
2025: State Champion Class "C" Mixed Doubles; 2nd Class "B" State Singles

Over the years Linda has competed in several World Tournaments and Horseshoe Tour events across the Country, representing Louisiana.

She joins her husband, Al, a 2004 inductee, into this illustrious group.