

Hall of Fame Induction – Bob Hoskins - March 9, 2018

Today we honor Bob Hoskins, with his induction into the Central District Florida Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

Bob was born in Livingston, Kentucky and his family moved around a lot when he was young and they ended up in the Akron, Ohio area. Bob worked for the Chrysler Corporation as a tool and die maker for 45 years. He is a father of two daughters.

Bob met his significant other, Mamie Morton, at the church where they both attended. On a trip to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, he saw some shuffleboard courts and asked Mamie what they were and she told him and explained the game of shuffleboard.

Bob played horseshoes and he said that most of his horseshoe friends died so he needed a new activity in his life. He went to the Akron, Ohio shuffleboard club and started playing in summer tournaments and was immediately hooked on the game. Because it was hard to get tournament directors in Ohio, he decided to learn to be a director and run tournaments for Akron & Canton, Ohio shuffleboard clubs.

For several years, Bob lived in Pioneer Creek and that's where I first met him. Bob and his friend, Dewayne Renwick, would play for hours and people was beginning to accuse them of living on the courts. Bob is currently a member of the Sebring Shuffleboard Club.

Two things Central District Shufflers know about Bob, is he cannot clear the board so he learned to play the board and kitchen you when the opportunity arose. It has served him well as evidence of accumulating his points for the Hall of Fame. Second thing, Bob is a man of very few words and a true gentleman on and off the courts. I know I speak for all shufflers in extending congratulations to Bob on this very special occasion on his induction into the Hall of Fame

Respectfully submitted by Larry Brown. March 09, 2018