Larry Lee Meritorious Service



Larry D Lee started bowling 50 years ago in 1974 at the age of 23. He enjoyed bowling so much that he decided to join a league and then he joined another one! Larry's first league was at Bel Air Bowl. He later joined leagues at Harford Lanes, Elkton Lanes, Forest Hill Lanes, Edgewood Lanes and Oxford Lanes.

Larry was elected to the Cecil Harford Bowling Association Board as a director in 2000. A position he held until 2017. He served as a house representative at Forest Hill and Harford Lanes. Larry served every committee at one time or another while as a Director of the Board.

Larry helped coordinate the Basket Bingo Fundraisers with the Harford County Women's and Cecil Harford Men's Associations when the events were held at Darlington Fire Hall.

Larry has always enjoyed bowling tournaments. Some of his favorites were the Dutchman, Cecil Harford 700 Club, Harford Lanes Invitationals, Senior Tournaments, the Valentine Scotch Doubles, and both State and Local Championships.

Along with participating in every tournament that he could, Larry volunteered to work at most tournaments in various jobs when needed.

With a lifetime high average of 219, Larry has 2 CHUSBC Senior scratch and handicap titles. He bowled his first 300 at Harford Lanes in early 1997 and then bowled two more later the same year. He has bowled a total of ten (10) 300 games, six (6) 299 games, and six (6) 298 games. He remembers when he bowled a 299 at Oxford Lanes, they gave him the actual pin that he missed to take with him, of course it was a 10 pin.

Larry has bowled in 35 National Tournaments. He enjoyed traveling to different locations. He has bowled in Utah, New York, Nevada, Ohio, Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Alabama and Nevada, which included Reno and Las Vegas. Larry's favorite was Corpus Christi, Texas.

He has made many new friends along the way, like Dennis Wilson, Don Warfield, Mike Lastowski and Bill Everett. Bob Marshall Senior always told him that he didn't want to ever bowl against him because he was a tough bowler but he would like to have him on his team.

He once bowled against a 25-year-old and the young man told Larry Lee's daughter that "He was going to beat that old man and send him packing". Larry didn't know this till the third game when his daughter told him what the young man had said. His response was "we will see". After the third game was over the young man had bowled a 608 and Larry Lee bowled a 756. This knocked the young man out of the tournament. I guess he sent the "Young man packing".

Don't tell Eileen, but bowling is definitely the love of his life. His daughters bowled for a bit and so did his grandchildren. Hopefully his great grandchildren will also bowl. Anytime the family needed something fun to do it ended up always being bowling.

The Cecil Harford USBC Bowling Association is proud to induct Larry Lee to into their Hall of Fame in the category of Meritorious Service.