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Born in Thomasville, NC in 1950, I had no idea as I grew up how much the love of dance would impact my adult life.

At 18, I was standing in the crowd over by the jukebox at the Castaway's watching the fancy footwork of so many good dancers: being a bit unsure and not very good, I stayed in the shadows. My favorite was Danny Bean.

At 20, I climbed down off the wall at the Pad to dance with a young man just back from Viet Nam who really taught me to dance and became my husband and the father of my two wonderful children.

During the next several years, I danced whenever the opportunity presented itself; trying to never miss a party at Dave and Judy Moore's because the people and the dancing were great.

In my late 30's, my son William wanted to learn to shag so it gave me the opportunity to be around the dancing a lot, meeting many wonderful people and making friendships that I will always cherish.

At the ripe old age of 45, my life changed and I was single.

AND....once again, a sweet and handsome man walked across the dance floor at Duck's and took my hand to dance; Bob Myrick and I were married and have been holding hands and dancing ever since that night.

I look around and see so many people that mean so much to me in my life and I have met you all because we love the dance and we share this way of life. Thank you for honoring me by inducting me into the "Shagger's Hall of Fame".