

## Marilyn Hodges 1983

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I was born and grew up in Dunn, NC. I started dancing at a young age and danced at a little place between Dunn and Ervin named Grays. In the summer, we danced at the Hay Loft in White Lake, NC and in the late 40's, we went to Carolina Beach, NC and danced at Bop City, The Ocean Plaza and Batson Bath House.

Good dancers on the beach then were Jean Allen, my best friend, Clarice Reavis, Big Red and a girl by the name of Laura from High Point, NC.

The male dancers were Harry Driver, Louie Madden, Chicken Hicks, Nelson Burton, Charlie Boone and Bunk Leach.

In 1950, we started staying at Myrtle Beach. The popular songs then were anything by Bostic, The Drifters, The Coasters and some more of the old groups.

I got married and did not dance very much for about 20 years but started back about 2 years ago. I don't remember if I had more fun dancing when I was young or more fun now.