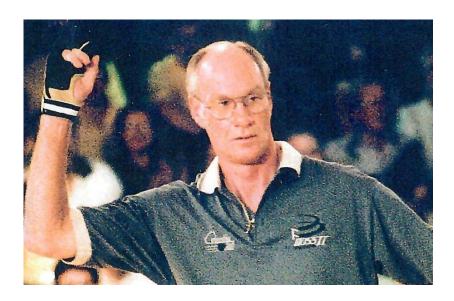# GARY DICKINSON

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Gary, raised in Durant, Oklahoma began bowling when he bowled on the grocery store he worked for fielded a team. He quickly discovered his love for the game and went to work for the bowling center. Receiving $2500 when he bowled his first 300 Game, it was off to the PBA Tour for him. His 20 years on the Pro Tour won him 8 titles including the 1983 US Open and the Brunswick World Open. He was inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 1988. He was awarded the Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award three times, selected exclusively by their fellow PBA Touring Players. In 1988, he also won the Pat Patterson Award which honors the commitment and contribution to the sport of bowling for those whose effort behind the scene are dedicated to the integrity of bowling. Turning 50 didn't slow Gary as he joined the Senior Tour and won 12 more titles as well as 1993 Rookie of the Year and Player of the Year in 1993-94 and 1997. He won 23 more titles in the Senior All Star Bowling Association. The PBA has ranked Gary as the 46th All Time Greatest Players in PBA history. For his outstanding performance on and off the lanes the Oklahoma City Bowling Council proudly induct Gary Dickinson into its Hall of Fame.