

## DEBBIE PINION TOMLINSON

### Women's Skill - 2013



Debbie Tomlinson, 60, bowled as a sanctioned bowler for 20 years until a boating accident ended her career. She was born in Texas, spent her teen years in California and after a stellar Youth career in Southern California moved to Oklahoma City, with her parents in 1971. At age 18, she started bowling with the best OKC had to offer both male and female. She began in the American Majors league where all the top female bowlers in OKC were bowling. Debbie is the daughter of Marge Pinion and Monroe Pinion. As a young lady bowling with superstars she held her own and was among the city highest league average bowlers. She was encouraged by the likes of Steve Carson, Mike Wheeler, Renee Fleming, David White, Susan Heare, Marion Spencer, Debbie Strong, Del Brown, Toni Calvery and Marge Pinion, etc...and started bowling Tournaments. In 1983 she won the Windsor Lanes 12 game marathon with a tournament average of 206. She won the Hazel Green's Classic Tournament with a 226.5 average of 4 games. She bowled Scratch Trios at Planet & Boulevard. Her Tournament resume: 1972 – 4<sup>th</sup> Singles in Tulsa; 1975 Placed at Yale Open; 1975 – 1<sup>st</sup> City Doubles with Mom, 1976 2<sup>nd</sup> Doubles Pryor with Mom, 1977 Top Ten in Queens, 1978 – 600 Club Scratch Doubles, 1983 1<sup>st</sup> Hazel Green, 1982-83 1<sup>st</sup> Team Class A City, 1979-83 Only woman to win Jim Southerland's 12 Game Marathon at Windsor twice and fourth place a third time averaging over 200, 1985 1<sup>st</sup> Tournament of Champions. The Oklahoma City Hall of Fame proudly inducts Debbie Tomlinson into its Hall of Fame.