

CAROLINE CASPER-LONSKI

The year was 1956 when Caroline began bowling league at Bowl-O-Drome and was elected secretary. Through the years she has served as Secretary, Treasurer and President in various leagues.

In 1965 Caroline was elected to serve on the Albuquerque Women's Bowling Association as a director. She remained a director until she was elected AWBA Vice-President in 1969-70. In 1971 Caroline was elected AWBA President and served until 1974. Caroline went on to work on the New Mexico Women's State Board as a director from 1976 to 1979. While with NMWBA she was the Director of the 1978 tournament when Albuquerque was the host city. Caroline was also an active member of the 600 club.

Caroline was elected to represent Albuquerque several times as a delegate to the WIBC National Convention. While at the convention she was selected to serve as an Election Teller and Assistant Sgt at Arms. Caroline was also instrumental in organizing the New Mexico Women's Senior Tournament in 1982 along-side Sybil Shows.

At the time of her induction, Caroline has completed 24 WIBC National Women's Championship Tournaments. Caroline was a member of the 1968 City Championship team. She also won the NMBPAA All Star Tournament in 1967. In 1991 with her partner, Jean Fisher, she won the New Mexico Women's State Doubles. In 1996 in the Senior New Mexico State Tournament, Caroline won Singles, Doubles and All-Events in Class A. When bowling the 1970 WIBC Women's National Championship in Tulsa, Oklahoma her team place 6th. Her highest average was in 1969 with a 182. Her highest career game was a 279 and a 696 was her highest series.

Caroline enjoyed bowling for several decades but her pride was her 3 children, 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Incredibly with everything that she gave to the bowling community, she still found time for other activities. She was an active member of the CIVITAN Club giving back to her community both locally and internationally. Caroline kept true to New Mexico hobbies by being actively involved with the International Balloon Fiesta. When she was not bowling or soaring the sky, she was hitting the dance floor as a Square Dancer.

