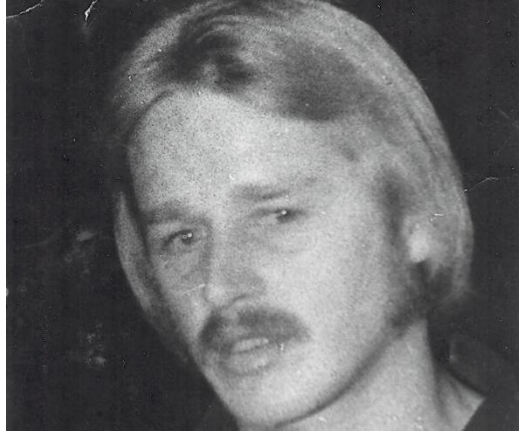


## MIKE BERRY

### Men's Veteran Service – 2009



Mike, 67, started bowling in the OYBA Junior leagues. As a youth bowler he carried a 190+ average and won a Singles Youth Tournament at Del Lanes. His 204 average in 1958 was top in the state for youth. After a stint in the Army, Mike came back to OKC and quickly became the best left-handed bowler in the area during the 1960's, 70's and early 80's. In 1966 & 1967, he won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Sunnylaners Doubles with Hall of Famer Charles Sorenson. In 1969, Mike took 1<sup>st</sup> in Southwest Doubles with another Hall of Famer, Ed Shuba. Honing his game while working for Jack James at Sunnylaners and Edmond Lanes, Mike's average started upward with 200 average in 1979-80 staying over all during the 80's. In 1980-81, Mike had the highest average in the State of 220. He bowled Seven 300 Games and Four 800 Series before his knees forced his retirement. Tournaments to mention include all 1<sup>st</sup> Place finishes in: 1977 Stubby's Doubles; 1979 Red River Doubles; 1983 Single Game Eliminator; 1983 Coors Team Tournament; 1984 State Scratch Team Division. He has been successful at the High Rollers finishing 10<sup>th</sup> in 1983 of a 972 field. He and Steve Carson would team up for scratch challenges and were impossible to beat. For his dominant years of bowling and his contributions to teammates in Team Competition and the fact he could hustle with the best of them, the Oklahoma City Bowling Council proudly inducts Mike Berry into its Hall of Fame.