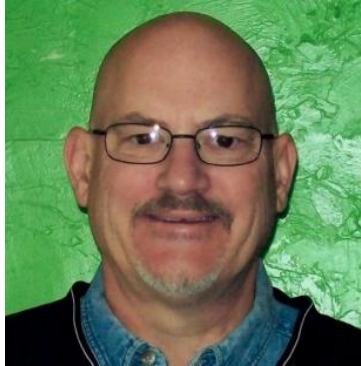


## MICHAEL (MIKE) WIDMAR

Men's Service - 2012



Mike was really born into the bowling world as his mother, Betty Widmar was a well respected Association Secretary of the Tulsa Women's Association for 15 years. At age 17, Mike began working as Lane Attendant at RiverLanes. He worked both front and back of house learning all facets of the industry. He has worked the front desk at Timber Lanes, then becoming Assistant Manager and later Manager at Cedar Lanes in Claremore. After 5 years as Assistant Manager at RiverLanes, owner Andy Barthamue recognized his talent and made him GM of Heritage Lanes in Oklahoma City in 2000. Mike has had to endure poor conditions and had to oversee major upgrades to the facility. Mike is truly an ambassador for the sport and an enormous promoter of the sport. He has served on the High School Executive Committee and has been very instrumental in the development of HSB within the State. While at Heritage Lanes, he has hosted the High School Finals 3 of the 10 years of existence. He has been President of the OKC Bowling Proprietors Association for the past several years and has worked well with his fellow proprietors. Under Mike's guidance and support, Heritage Lanes has supported many fundraisers for such causes as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Cerebral Palsy, Bowl for the Cure, Special Olympics, MDA, United Way, and the Zoo's Bowling for Rhinos. They have hosted a Storm PBA Southwest Open Tournament with Pro-Am event. Mike began bowling at age 5 in YABA and has Two 300 Games while bowling adult leagues. It is for this dedication to the sport that the Oklahoma City Bowling Hall of Fame proudly inducts Mike Widmar into its Hall of Fame.