

Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame

Since its inception in 1984, the Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame has inducted outstanding Kentuckians who have made contributions to the game of golf. Members of the Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame are made up of men, women, amateurs, and professionals, who have made an impact on Kentucky golf through playing achievements or contributing to growth, development, and promotion of the game and golfers.

It is that time of year that nominations are accepted for candidates to be considered for the Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame. Nominations can be made by anyone, and we encourage you to consider making a nomination. To nominate an individual, please read the instructions below and submit the nomination no later than **May 11, 2026**, at midnight. If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, please contact Peter Kremer at Golf House Kentucky at (502) 243-8295 or pkremer@kygolf.org.

Thank you for your interest.

Respectfully,

Chad Martin, PGA





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Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame Committee Chair

Nomination Instruction:

1. Read Guidelines
2. Complete Nomination Form
3. Submit form and supporting materials by May 11, 2026, at midnight

Golf House Kentucky
Attention: Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame
1116 Elmore Just Drive
Louisville, KY 40245
pkremer@kygolf.org

Nomination Guidelines:

-  Nominee must have been a Kentucky resident for a minimum of five years.
-  Nominee should have contributed to the golf industry in one or more of the following areas: Playing achievements, Contributions/Promotion of the Game, Contribution to Junior Golf, Teaching of the game, Golf Course Architecture, Turf Grass Research, Golf Course Management/Maintenance, and National recognition.
-  Nominations remain active for three years. If your nominee has been nominated within the previous two years, renomination is not required; however, additional, or updated materials may be submitted. After three years, nominations are removed from consideration by the committee and may be reconsidered after a one-year waiting period.
-  Currently Active Nominees: Ron Acree, Scott Beard, Jessica Cornelius, Lori Olendick Eberle, Paul Franke, Grover Justice, Tim Reeves, Steve Rogers, Vance Smith, Larry Ward, and Larry Woods.

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Fred Allen, Amateur	1997	Ralph Landrum, Professional	2012
Al Atkins, Professional	1987	Marvin Lear, Amateur	2009
Frank Atkins, Professional	1998	Martha Leach, Amateur	2015
Phil Armbruster, Amateur	2023	Gordon W. Leishman, Professional	1998
Betty Baird-Kregor, Professional	2022	Judge John Marshall, Amateur	1984
Bobby Baldwin, Professional	2021	Jeff McGill, Professional	2023
Dr. Dwight Barkley, Amateur	2002	Herb McGuire, Amateur	2014
Frank Beard, Professional	1989	Rob McNamara, Professional	2018
Buck Blankenship, Professional	2009	Danny McQueen, Professional	2004
Marsha Bordas, Amateur	2019	Bill Meyer Jr., Amateur	1994
Dick Bradow, Professional	2022	Marion Miley, Amateur	1991
Gay Brewer, Professional	1989	Louis Miller, Amateur	2018
Cullan Brown, Amateur	2023	Velvet Milkman, Amateur	2024
Jim Brown, Amateur	2018	Eddie Mudd, Amateur	2024
Buddy Bryant, Amateur	2022	Jodie Mudd, Professional	1999
Dave Bunnell, Amateur	2012	Bill Musselman, Amateur	1996
George Cadle, Professional	2010	Thomas Mussleman, Amateur	2005
Dr. Rex Chaney, Amateur	2016	Dave Nicholas, Amateur	2020
Walter Cisco, Amateur	2021	Bobby Nichols, Professional	1989
Russ Cochran, Professional	2009	Jim O'Hern, Professional	2017
Anne Combs, Amateur	1992	Keith Ohr, Professional	2025
Tom Cooksey, Amateur	2016	Tennye Ohr, Professional	2022
Bobby Craigs, Professional	1984	Jim Osborne, Professional	1992
Brown Cullen, Jr., Professional	2011	Ray Ottman, Professional	2008
Mary Lou Daniel Crocker, Amateur	2010	Irvin Ottman Sr., Professional	1997
H.L. Davis, Amateur	2001	John C. Owens, Amateur	1986
Buddy Demling, Professional	2006	Dave Peege, Amateur	2017
George "Moe" Demling, Professional	2019	Kenny Perry, Professional	2003
Ernie Denham, Amateur	2020	Dr. A.J. Powell Jr., Amateur	1994
Joseph S. Dickson, Amateur	1994	Colonel Lee S. Read, Amateur	1990
Pete Doll, Professional	1990	Jack Ridge, Professional	2004
Marty Donlon, Amateur	2021	Joan Rizer, Amateur	2005
Bettie Lou Evans, Amateur	2008	Andy Roberts, Amateur	2025
Jim Ferriell, Jr., Professional	2015	Betty Rowland Probasco, Amateur	1991
Don Fightmaster, Amateur	1998	Jack Ryan, Professional	1985
Steve Flesch, Professional	2007	Ernie Schneider, Amateur	1995
Jack Freeman, Professional	2002	Ted Schulz, Professional	2011
Dwight Gahm, Amateur	1999	Tommy Smith, Professional	2006
Larry Gilbert, Professional	1992	Pat Stephens, Professional	2022
Kevin Greenwell, Professional	2022	Susan Stewart, Amateur	2023
Dr. Paul B. Hall, Amateur	1996	Gene Sullivan, Professional	1991
George Helm, Amateur	1997	Emma Talley, Professional	2025
Gene Hilten, Professional	1992	Josh Teater, Professional	2025
J.W. Janes, Amateur	1988	Eddie Tyree, Professional	2010
George Johnson, Amateur	2024	Myra VanHoose Blackwelder, Amateur	1999
Margaret Jones, Amateur	2021	Charles Vittitoe, Professional	2012
Elmore Just, Amateur	2001	Jim Volpenhein, Amateur	2019
Bill Kaiser, Professional	1985	Bruce Walters, Amateur	2013
Harcourt Kemp, Amateur	2005	Louise Wilson, Amateur	1991
James Kirchdorfer, Jr., Amateur	2021	Mark Wilson, Amateur	2016
James Kirchdorfer, Sr., Amateur	2013	Whitney Wade Young, Amateur	2024
Harreld Kirkpatrick, Amateur	1999		
Joe Lally, Sr., Professional	1990		

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INFORMATION FOR NOMINEE

NAME: _____

BIRTHDATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

Years as a Kentucky Resident (minimum 5 years required) _____

STATUS

- Amateur
- Professional
- Deceased (please provide date of death _____)

KEY AREAS (check all that are applicable)



- Playing Achievements
- Contribution/Promotion of the Game
- Contribution to Junior Golf
- Teaching of the game
- Golf Course Architecture
- Turf Grass Research
- Golf Course Management/Maintenance
- National Recognition

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

Required

  **List the high-level accomplishments of the nominee in a bulleted list**

(type written on one side of an 8.5" x 11" paper)

  **A minimum of two (2) Letters of Nomination**

Suggested

  Newspaper articles

  Photographs

INFORMATION FOR NOMINATOR

NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO NOMINEE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ **EMAIL:** _____