

Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame 2018 Nomination Form

NOMINEE'S NAME

Bryant Olin Buddy W
Last Name First Name Nickname (if applicable) Middle Initial

NOMINEE'S DATE OF BIRTH

1962 April 17th
Year Month Day

RESIDENCE

Years Kentucky Resident (minimum 5 years required) 50

Current Residence

2125 Taberlake Circle Lex KY 40502
Address City State Zip

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

- ☒ One page type written biography of nominee
☒ Two (2) Letters of Nomination

Suggested

- ☒ Newspaper articles
☒ Photographs

OLIN WAYNE BRYANT, JR.

OLIN WAYNE BRYANT, JR. "BUDDY" WAS BORN IN FORT STEWART, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 17TH, 1962. HIS FATHER WAS OLIN WAYNE BRYANT, SR., FROM MAGNOLIA, MISSISSIPPI, AND HIS MOTHER WAS JOYCE ANGELINE DUNN BRYANT FROM WICKLIFFE, KENTUCKY. HE HAS AN OLDER SISTER SUSAN LYNNE BRYANT HUGHES AND A YOUNGER SISTER KELLY ELISE HOLSHOUSER, BOTH OF PADUCAH, KENTUCKY.

BUDDY GRADUATED FROM PADUCAH TILGHMAN HIGH SCHOOL IN 1980 AND ACCEPTED A GOLF SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY THAT SAME YEAR. 2 YEARS LATER HE TRANSFERRED TO OLE MISS AFTER ACCEPTING ANOTHER GOLF SCHOLARSHIP.

HE WENT ON GRADUATE FROM OLE MISS IN 1984 WITH A DEGREE IN FINANCE AND ACCEPTED A POSITION WITH BANK ONE IN LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY. SEVERAL YEARS LATER HE RELOCATED TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA, BUT EVENTUALLY RETURNED TO HIS KENTUCKY ROOTS IN LEXINGTON AND WAS INVOLVED WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF BUSINESSES BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE.

IN 1987 HE MARRIED ELIZABETH SHELTON. THEY HAD 3 CHILDREN BEGINNING WITH CAROLINE MCCOY IN 1991, RUSSELL OLIN PAXTON IN 1994 AND GRETCHEN HAYNES IN 1997.

CAROLINE CURRENTLY LIVES IN COVINGTON, KENTUCKY AND WORKS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI ORAL HEALTH. RUSS RESIDES IN MINTURN COLORADO AND IS WORKING FOR SEASONAL LANDSCAPES OUT OF WEST VAIL. GRETCHEN IS A SENIOR AT OLE MISS AND WILL GRADUATE IN 2019.

IN AUGUST OF 2012 AND AGAIN IN THE FOLLOWING JUNE OF 2013 HE UNEXPECTEDLY LOST BOTH OF HIS PARENTS.

RECENTLY BUDDY BECAME ENGAGED TO TRACY PENDER. TRACEY IS A PARALEGAL FOR HUMANA IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY. SHE HAS A SON, AUDIN PENDER WHO IS A US ARMY RANGER AND CURRENTLY STATIONED IN GERMANY. HER DAUGHTER AUBREY IS A SENIOR AT MERCY ACADEMY ALSO IN LOUISVILLE.

BUDDY HAS BEEN AN OUTSTANDING SON, BROTHER, UNCLE, HUSBAND AND A DEVOTED FATHER OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS. HIS FATHER ALWAYS SAID THE TRUE MARK OF A MAN WAS WHAT HE WOULD SACRIFICE FOR HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. BUDDY HAS CERTAINLY PROVEN TO BE THAT TYPE OF MAN.

Buddy Bryant
Competition Resume
Significant Events

State

- 1996 Kentucky State Amateur Champion – Audubon Country Club, Louisville, Kentucky
- 1998 Kentucky State Amateur Champion – Eagle Trace Golf Club, Morehead, Kentucky
- 1996 Kentucky Golf Association Player of the Year
- 1999 Kentucky Golf Association Player of the Year
- 2000 Kentucky State Mid-Amateur Champion – Champion Trace Golf Club, Nicholasville, Kentucky
- 1999 Kentucky Open Low Amateur – Greenbrier Country Club, Lexington, Kentucky
- 1980 Kentucky High School State Champion (winning margin of 10 shots)
- 1980 Courier Journal All-State Golf Team and Mr. Golf
- Only Kentucky golfer to win State High School, State Amateur, State Mid-Amateur and Low Amateur in Kentucky Open
- Competed in KGA events in five decades

National

Qualified to compete in seven United States Golf Association events:

- 1995 U.S. Amateur – Newport Country Club, Newport, Rhode Island
- 1996 U.S. Amateur – Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club, Portland, Oregon (local medalist)
- 2003 U.S. Mid-Amateur – Wilmington Country Club, Wilmington, Delaware
- 2005 U.S. Mid-Amateur – The Honors Course, Ooltewah, Tennessee
- 1997 USGA State Team Championship – SunRidge Canyon Golf Club, Scottsdale, Arizona
- 2003 USGA State Team Championship – Charles River Country Club, Newton, Massachusetts
- 2005 USGA State Team Championship – Berkeley Hall Club, Bluffton, South Carolina
- Top 10 in National High School Championship – Fircrest Golf Club, Tacoma, Washington

College

- University of Kentucky (1980-1982) – Two year letterman
- 1981 Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year
- University of Mississippi (1982-1985) – Two year letterman (integral part of 7 team wins during tenure)

Local

- 4-Time Lexington Men's City Champion

Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame Committee

To whom it my concern, I would like to nominate Buddy Bryant to the Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame. I have known Buddy for 45 years and played countless rounds and tournament golf with him. As you may know, Buddy's amateur golf accomplishments are many and include the following:

- State High School Golf Champion – won by 10 shots
- SEC Freshman of the Year at UK
- 5 Lexington City Championships
- 1 Lexington City Two Man Championships
- 2 State Amateur Championships

In addition to these great golf accomplishments, Buddy is the consummate teammate and golfing partner. He always gives 100% effort and provides his partners with encouragement. I am proud to have known Buddy all these many years and even more proud to have called him friend and golfing partner.

Sincerely,



Scott P. Cvengros

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June 29, 2018

Dear Chairman Landrum and Committee,

It is with great honor and pride I nominate one of the best Amateurs in the history of Kentucky golf Olin Bryant Jr (Buddy) for the Kentucky Golf Hall of Fame. Buddy's dominant career started in in the early 80's and continues now today. A true gentleman of the game, but also one of the fiercest competitors and finest champions Kentucky has ever seen. I have enclosed everything required and look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Mark La Londe