



Lois Payne

2019

Lifetime Achievement

Award Recipient

LOIS PAYNE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Lois Payne took up the game in her mid-30's when she married her husband Frank. He said that there were two things he wanted her to take up: golf & bridge. She thought that chasing a white ball was crazy... but she would do both for love. Lois Payne died in 2020 after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Lois was a Member of Glendale since the course opened in 1960. Riverside was the 1st course that she ever played and at Highlands, she broke 100.

Here is the extensive list of Lois Payne's Tournament Wins

- 1981 Edmonton Ladies Senior
- 1981 KRP Match Play team tournament with Jackie Little when she defeated Phyllis Reid and Hall of Famer, Betty Cole
- 1991, the NWT Open
- Edmonton Ladies Super Seniors 1993, 1994, 1995
- 2001 AB PGA Pro Lady
- Two Jasper Park Totem Poles. These were week-long tournaments that attracted golfers from around the world.
- In 2005, Edmonton hosted the World Master Games. Lois won 1 Gold, 2 silvers, and a bronze
- She has won 11 Glendale Championships
- Sturgeon Valley's Senior Championship
- 2 Summer Games Gold Medals – one in New Brunswick, and one in Alberta with Donna Rawson
- She also won 3 Saskatchewan Open Titles
- Lois Payne was inducted into the Legends Golf Hall of Fame 5 years ago. She joined the illustrious list with Betty Cole and Jackie Little
- Curtis Stock of the Edmonton Journal wrote about Lois Payne 2 years ago and again just a week ago.

The Edmonton Golf Association Ladies Division would like to recognize her participation at a whopping 73 Edmonton Open tournaments. This was made possible by the two separate tournaments that they used to have for the amateur division and the senior division.

Overall, Lois Payne has played in:

7 Canadian tournaments

1984, played on the AB Team in the Canadian Provincial Championships

53 Provincials Tournaments

And Marshall & Podersky Interclub tournaments since they began.

Amusing Story

At the age of 90, one evening, Lois was in a hurry to plant her Spring flowers so that she could devote the rest of the year to golf. She was running, (yes, at 90 she was running) with her flower trays and water in hand; and she tripped over the flower bed edging breaking her femur. When the EMS arrived, she told them that they needed to hurry because she had a 9:08 tee time in the morning!..... Lois was in the hospital overnight, and as she was wheeled into the Operating Room, she was met by 3 physicians who explained how sorry they were that she would miss her tee time that morning.....

Lois used to say that golf is for her body and bridge is for her mind.