

Larry R. Collins
Hutchinson – Reno County USBC
Kansas State Hall of Fame
Pioneer – Performance – 2022

Larry has bowled in sanctioned leagues for 56 years state side and 4 years during his military service. Local offices held: Director and President of Hutchinson Men’s Bowling Association for 23 years combined. Serving on Lane Certification Committee and Rules Committees as well as Ex-Official on all committees as President. Larry also served as Executive Director of American Legion Bowling Tournament for 14 years, Director for 48 years, past President and Life Member Hall of Fame on Southwest Bowling Association and Tournament.

Bowling Achievements: Highest Average of 227, Highest Game 300 (13) and Highest Series of 827 documented. On 2/27/2022 Larry had a 299 in the Southwest Bowling Association’s Tournament, Almost perfect.

Local Achievements: 11-time Hutchinson Bowling Association High Average Winner, Hutchinson City Scratch Doubles Winner, won Greater Wichita Bowling Association’s City Tournament Scratch and Handicapped Doubles. Greater Wichita Bowling Association’s City Tournament Team Event Scratch.

Winner of 2021 Senior Singles in Div II, Kansas State American Legion Tournament Team-1975, and again in 1983 along with Singles. 3 time Doc Elfert Scratch All Events Champion 1975, 1980 and 1983.

Regional / National Achievements: 61st place at age 12 in 1960, AJBC National Tournament (he has kept this medal for over 60 years). 1971 All Marine Military Champion, then 2nd in All-Service Military Tournament, 29 years participating in ABC/USBC Open Championship Tournament including eclipsing 1 – 800, All Events in 1989 after 4 years rehabilitating a back with multiple shattered discs. Doctors said he may never walk again, but he has been bowling almost every year since then.

Honors: Hutchinson Bowling Associations Hall of Fame in 1991.

Honorable Mention: Grand Daughter Kacey Collins Bonnie Hodgson Scholarship Recipient 2016 Kacey Collins Walt Delozier Scholarship Recipient 2017. Grand Son Brandon Collins Walt Delozier Scholarship Recipient 2018.