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For the majority of the past 50 years, this music and dance have been my passion, my heart, and my way of life. I first heard the music and saw the dance when I was 13 years old at City Lake in High Point, NC. It became all consuming. After the summers at City Lake, I proceeded with my education, marriage and family, but any spare time was spent going to the places where I could hear the music, dance and be with friends of like mind...Castaways, Bitter End, Golden Boar, LoBaGe, Cellar, Groucho's, Jolly Knave and of course any time we could get away to Ocean Drive. The dancers were mesmerizing...Henry Moody, Danny Bean, Linda Cook, Sharon Phillips, Ronnie Duggins, Glenn Doub, Eddie Page, and Kenneth Carter. I knew I didn't dance as well as they did, but I sure loved it the way they did!!

When the Bushes opened in Greensboro, NC, it was heaven to my ears and feet. I began to DJ there in 1981 and booked the DJs for Bill Griffin until they closed in 1991. When Thirsty's opened, I went to work with Thurston and Linda Reeder and am still with them now. I was inducted into the DJ Hall of Fame in 1997. What an honor to be included with some of the best DJs ever!!

I have done some things I am not proud of and a lot of things I am very proud of. I have had marriages and I have had divorces. I have had children and I have lost children. I have had dear friends and have lost dear friends. I have had very special friendships and have lost some very special friendships. These are the ups and downs of life, but the one true constant has been the music and the dance. It has NEVER let me down...always lifted me up. What a blessing it has been in my life.

The Shaggers Hall of Fame is history and now I get to be a part of the history. How lucky can a girl get? I thank you from the bottom of my music-filled heart. What a special honor!!!!