

Hall of Fame - Class of 1997

Linda Cornelius

College Station, Texas

Achievements, Honors and Awards:

- 1974 Set T.A.A.F. Intermediate Girls' State Long Jump record at 18' 6 ½ "and she still holds this record through the 1996 Track & Field Championships.
- 1966 - 1974 Competed in T.A.A.F. State Track and Field Championship meets.
- 1974 In the 5A State UIL Track & Field Meet, as a junior she led team to third place finish in overall standings and was the high point winner.
- 1975 As a senior she was again the high point winner in the 5A State UIL Track & Field Meet.
- 1975 In May, set National High School Record in Long Jump.
- First High School Girl named "Most Outstanding High School Athlete" at SWC Indoor Track and Field Championships.
- 1975 Named "Most Outstanding Freshman Track Athlete" at University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV).
- 1976 US Olympic Sports Festival Pentathlon Champion, member of the South Team.
- 1976 - 77 First female athlete to attend Texas A&M University on a full athletic scholarship.
- 1980 Set World record for Indoor Pentathlon 800 meters, winter 1980 at Logan Utah and again two weeks later in Toronto, Canada.
- 1988 June, established World record for Outdoor Pentathlon 800 meters, at the Olympic Trials.
- Selected four (4) times as an ALL American in Track & Field (76, 77, 78, & 79)
- 1980 United States Outdoor TAC Pentathlon Champion.
- Member of five (5) International USA Track & Field Teams.
- First female inducted into the Texas A&M University Sports Hall of Fame.
- 1980 Held ten of the twenty Texas A&M University Women's Track and Field records, 100 meter dash; 200 meter dash; 400 meter dash; 100 meter hurdles; 400 meter relay; 1600 meter relay; 800 meter medley relay; 3200 meter relay; long jump and pentathlon.
- 1980 Member of the USA Olympic Track & Field Team, the USA Team that boycotted Olympics in Moscow at the direction of President Carter.
- 1989 to Present Serving as the T.A.A.F. State Track & Field Commissioner.
- 1989 and 1990 Served as T.A.A.F. Regional Director.
- 1991 and 1993 Presented the T.A.A.F. President's Award.
- 1991 to Present Serving on the T.A.A.F. Executive Board.
- 1995 to Present Serving as T.A.A.F. President Elect.

Inducted into the T.A.A.F. Hall of Fame on January 16th, 1997

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