



Betty Moore Fouts Palmer 2002

BETTY MOORE, FOUTS, PALMER “AMAZON”

I was born in Richmond, Va., and blessed with a brother Tommy Moore who is 4 years older than I. Our family moved to Winston-Salem, NC, where we graduated from Mineral Springs High School.

My brother and I would go out dancing together and I never felt there were any barriers as far as dance steps. “What the boys did on the dance floor just seemed more interesting to me.” My entire life was laced with dance.

During the late 50’s and early 60’s, we would hang out at Myrtle Beach, O.D., and Sonny’s at Cherry Grove. During that time my partners were Shad Alberty and my most favorite of course was and still remains Mike Osborne from Kannapolis, NC. Having the best dancers for friends did not hurt my ability to feel at home on the dance floor, and I would try any new step. During this time I somehow got the nickname “Amazon”, due to my no limit attitude.

My brother T. Moore went to Viet Nam, and Life became more than a magazine to me. Soon after graduation in 1962, I kicked my dancing up a notch and entered the world of ballroom dancing. I married the owner of the Fred Astaire Studio, Jerry Fouts and we had a lovely son named Jerry Michael Fouts II who ironically passed away August 1, 2001 at Myrtle Beach.

I’ve traveled though-out the U.S. as an adjudicator for Fred Astaire and also, become the U.S. National Champion.

My marriage ended, and later I met my Rhett Butler and Dr. Zavigo wrapped up in a wonderful man named Stan Palmer. He made up for all my shattered dreams and we settled in Belews Creek, NC and raised horses until his death in September 1994.

At this time I live in Kernersville, NC and have my Real Estate Brokers License, and also, work with Piedmont International Airport.

Shag dancing has been a passion of mine from an early age, and like everything in life, passion for anything you do makes the difference.