



### **CHUCK TAYLOR (2012)**

Chuck or "Suggie" Taylor (as some know him) is a "Good Ole South Norfolk Boy." In South Norfolk, fast dancing was a must, and at age 13, Chuck began attending dances at the Johnson Park Recreation Center and later at the Portlock Community Center. He became an accomplished dancer and "personified the elite of the South Norfolk smooth dancers."

After high school, Chuck could be found at many of the popular dance venues in the Norfolk/Virginia Beach area. He attended Fredrick Military College and served in the army during the Vietnam era and received the Bronze Star, as well as a Purple Heart. His job took him out of state for several years, but in 1988 he returned to Virginia Beach and got back into dancing. He became a regular at Steppin' Out, and went out of his way to welcome "newcomers," meeting his lovely wife, Jeannie (VSHOF, 2011) in the process.

Chuck was active in the Virginia Beach Shag Club (VBSC), serving on various committees over the years. He also held memberships with Boogie on the Bay Shag Club (BOTB) and Outer Banks Shag Club (OBSC). He has spent a lifetime enjoying the dance.

Chuck retired from Texaco Corporation as a marketing manager after 36 years of service. He has enjoyed his retirement living at the ocean front in Virginia Beach. Although unable to dance for health reasons, he still loves to listen to the music and enjoys watching his friends dance.