



### **SID STRAWDERMAN (2007)**

Sid's continuous devotion toward the preservation of the shag dance and music is evident by his many deeds. He has been a member of the Richmond Shag Club [RSC] since 1990; Sid has served on the board of directors for 13 years, having chaired several committees and serving 6 terms as

Vice-President, several terms as Dance Committee Chairman and Co-Chaired the Annual Boogie on the James party in 2006. Sid has been a member of the Competitive Shaggers Association (CSA) since 1992 as both a "competitor" and a supportive "Friend of CSA". He and his former partner took 2nd place in the 1995 and 1996 VA State Open (Carolina Shag division) at Tysons Corner in Northern Virginia. Sid taught shag lessons at both the Northern Virginia Shag Club and the Fredericksburg area "Battlefield Boogie" Shag Club when these clubs were first getting established.

He began teaching shag lessons for the RSC in 1996 and continues to do so today with his wife, Jane (VSHOF, 2023). Sid has been generous with his time and talents in promoting shag, willing to help beginners, and to share his knowledge with more advanced dancers.

In 2010 Sid was inducted into the National Living Legends of Dance (NLLD) and in 2012 he received the ACSC's "Shaggin' Icon" award.

In 2023 Sid, along with 3 other legends, was fortunate to be given permission by Berta Lull's family to continue the great tradition of the NLLD that Berta began in 1994!