

**Ruth Tate and husband, Max, started spending their winters in Florida in January of 1995. They got interested in Shuffleboard that first year.**

**Ruth made State Am in 1997 and acquired her pro status in 2000. She has played in the top 8 Central District Masters at all levels and won the State Am women's division in 2000.**

**She has served on the Board of the Central District, on the Board of the Sebring Club and on the Ontario Shuffleboard Association. She was certified as a tournament director in 2005. She was on the committee for the Hall of Fame Classic for six years. Ruth and Max are responsible for starting Parks Tournaments at Sebring, Avon Park and Winter Haven, promoting and introducing new amateurs into tournament play.**

**Ruth has always been an advocate of too many rules in Shuffleboard which makes an unfriendly game at times. She just likes the enjoyment of playing the game and having fun at it, but don't ever underestimate her.**

**She is a competitive player and can be a tough opponent on the courts to beat. She battled cancer for 2 years and beat that, so you know how tough and determined she can be.**

**Ladies and Gentlemen, it is my pleasure and honor to present to you for induction into the Central District Hall of Fame, my Friend, Ruth Tate.**

**Induction by Ruth Brown, March 13, 2015**