

Bowling Writers Association of America's Bowler of the Year, 1956.

First team, BOWLING magazine, All-America, 1956; 1957. Second team in 1958, 1966.

Bill Lillard settled in Houston, where he became co-owner of several bowling establishments.

Although not as active as he once was on the lanes, Bill Lillard still finds time to bowl. He has been selected twice to participate in Brunswick's Great and Greatest Tournament, which pairs stars from the past with the stars of today.

Twice he was paired with Marshall Holman, who Lillard says is a lot like him when he was active on the PBA tour. "I was very emotional on the lanes as is Marshall," said Lillard. "You always had to keep your competitive edge, or you didn't win. And that was the whole idea of being out on the lanes ... to win."

Bill Lillard was the first bowler to make it to the Texas Sports Hall of Fame. Bill Lillard, the college boy from Dallas who went to the major leagues at the age of 23 and made a name for himself, for bowling and most of all, for Texas.

Tom Williams