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Lee Shirley won the Roanoke Valley Hall of Fame tournament in 1993, beginning a three-year string of victories in the tourney.

Shirley selected to Roanoke Valley Golf HOF

Lee Shirley was the dominant women's player in the Roanoke area in the 1990s.

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When recently informed of her selection to the Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame, Lee Shirley laughed.

"I don't have to actually play golf now, do I? I hope nobody expects me to break 80," she said.

So what? It was the low scores the Salem native posted during a brilliant 10-year run in the 1990s that validated her ticket as the sixth woman to be enshrined in the Hall of Fame.

In her '90s heyday, Shirley was tough to beat. She pulled off a trio of three-peats, winning the Virginia State Junior Girls title in 1990-92, the Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame

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Begins Saturday at Ashley Plantation

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women's championship in 1993-95, and the Virginia State Women's Amateur crown in 1996-98.

"It's such a surprise, not to mention such an honor,"

said Shirley, 32, who now is married and lives in Raleigh, N.C. "I've been gone from Virginia for a long time now. It's nice to know that people still remember what I did a long time ago."

Dot Bolling, who has won more local major titles than any women's player in the Roanoke Valley, said Shirley's selection to the Hall of Fame was a no-brainer.

"Lee was a great player,"

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