

AMANDA TEDESCO

Our newest member of the VA Jr Shaggers HOF was born in Chester, VA, to a shag family. As soon as she was old enough, she was attending dance events and beach music festivals. To say she had a gift for understanding Carolina Shag and its fine points is an understatement. Her parents brought her up to speed quickly, and the company of fellow junior shaggers brought her to the level of junior competitor by age 12. Her competitive partners included Brennar Goree, Josh Key, Kirk Bass, Ricky Ward, Jeff Hargett, and William Green. She danced at the Shag Nationals and GNDC consistently from 2000 through 2005, placing in the top three every year in her division, including Junior I Champ in 2001 and Jr. II Champ in 2004.

In 2008 she danced in the pro division at the NSDC with William Green, and danced CSA Pro Division with Ricky Ward, with a 1st place finish.

The icing on the cake was performing on the National Shag Dance Team in 2004 and 2005, which won team division at the Grand Nationals. And while all of this was going on, she graduated from the prestigious Wharton School of Business at the University of PA.