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I am Sue Lanier Hallow, residing in Greenville, N.C. for the past ten years. Before moving to Greenville, N.C., I lived in Greenville, S.C. and Greensboro, N.C. My birthplace is a small town called Beulaville, N.C., where bop, now called shag, began for me. My first introduction to this dance, at age 11 years, was a little black girl at a tobacco barn. My earliest teen years, I vacationed with my parents at Carolina Beach, where I met and danced with Charlie Boone, Nelson Burton and Bunk Leach and was amazed by Clarice. Later teen years, my parents owned Atlantic Beach property, which exposed me to the dance, the people and the music. Shad, Doug Perry were there.

My love for the dance took me from Atlantic Beach to Myrtle Beach, where Eddie Mansour and Harry Driver were dancing at the pavilion.

While I was being Mom to four sons, I pursued golf instead of dance. For the past five years, I have become involved in dance once more. Last year, I started dancing the spa circuit and am currently teaching shag lessons at three recreation centers and one community center. I am vice-president of Eastern North Carolina Shag Association.

I feel honored to be selected to the Hall of Fame, because this dance has always and is an important and meaningful part of my life.