

## Jim L. Kelly

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Our 49th Inductee into the Arizona Trapshooting Hall of Fame was born on March 1, 1936 and raised in Olympia, WA. Shortly after graduation from Olympia High School, Jim joined the Army and served two years. After returning back home Jim followed in the footsteps of his Father and Grandfather, both were loggers, and started his own company, Kelly Logging, Inc.

In 1959, Jim married his "carhop", Mary Ann - they first met when she was a carhop at the Triple X drive-in and she still remembers the first day they met; he was sitting on the curb in his logging clothes, slurping on a root beer float. He still loves root beer floats to this day! Jim and Mary Ann have four children, 3 boys and 1 girl, 7 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. They recently celebrated 56 years of marriage!

After Jim retired from the logging business, he was bored. His good friend Frank Schneider, also from Washington and a fellow snowbird, invited Jim to try trapshooting. He liked it! And, from then on, he was off shooting every weekend.

Jim registered his first ATA targets in 1989 shooting a Remington 1100 and was a natural right from the start. Shooting at the Garden Canyon Trap Club as a "rookie", Jim had 5 consecutive rounds of 97 or better in a two week period. On September 17 standing on the 20-1/2 yard line, he shot a 99-98, advancing to the 22-1/2 yard line. He followed that up the very next weekend breaking another 98-99 which moved him to the 24-1/2. On October 1, he earned another yard for a 97 and a punch to the 25-1/2 yard line. Five yards in two weeks!

Jim and Mary Ann wintered in the Sierra Vista area for many years before moving to Arizona full time, however, they still spend summers in Olympia and while there, Jim competes in P.I.T.A. tournaments, primarily the Washington State P.I.T.A. and the Grand Pacific P.I.T.A. tournaments.

The many years of logging have taken their toll on Jim – 3 back surgeries, a full hip replacement, surgeries on both shoulders plus cataract surgery. Now, Jim is forced to sit on a stool while shooting, but nothing can dampen his good-natured spirit or his passion for shooting and our sport.

In addition to Jim's impressive shooting excellence, equally impressive are the many milestones he has attained during his shooting career. Let's start with his THREE ATA Grand Slams. Jim completed his first Grand Slam in August of 1997, breaking 100 from the 27-yard line at Spanish Fork, UT. Trap & Field only recognizes a shooter's first Grand Slam; however, in March 1998, Jim broke 100 from the 27 at Double Adobe Trap Club. Then on May 31, 2003, he did it again at Garden Canyon Trap Club! He has had numerous 200's in Singles and 100's in Doubles to go with the three 100's from the 27, giving him three official Grand Slams. Jim earned AA-27-AA status the first time in 1997, and has been a member of the Arizona State Team 7 times including twice on the Men's team, 4 times on the Veteran team and twice on the Senior Veteran team.

Over the span of Jim's shooting career, he has amassed an incredible number of ATA registered targets - 588,775, which include 210,975 Singles, 183,900 Handicap and 194,800 Doubles. In addition, he has registered 71,600 P.I.T.A Targets.

As one fellow shooter commented, "I can't think of a more deserving shooter for the Hall of Fame...he has helped so many shooters along the way."

### Major Wins and Accomplishments

Year	Event	Trophy Won	Score
<b>AUTUMN GRAND</b>			
2013	Sat Sgl	B	196
2011	Dbl Class Chmp	SV R	97
2009	Dbl Class Chmp	SV Ru	94
2008	Dbl Champ	SV (Record High Score)	99
	Prelim Sgl	SV	98
	HOA	SV	1,053x1,100
2006	Prelim Sgl	Vt	100
2005	Prelim Sgl	Vt	100
2004	B. RV Sgl	Vt	100
	Sgl Class Chmp	Vt	99
	Dbl Chmp	Vt Ru	97
<b>SPRING GRAND</b>			
2013	All-Ar	AA	385
2009	Dbl Class Chmp	SV	99
2006	Dbl Class Chmp	Vt	99
2005	Dbl Chmp	Vt	99
2004	B. RV Sgl	Vt	100
<b>ARIZONA STATE SHOOT</b>			
2011	Jump Cholla Dbl	A	94
2009	P. Pear Dbl	SV	98
	Dbl Class Chmp	SV	96
2008	C.G. Dbl	SV	97
2007	Mem. Dbl	SV	98
	Dbl Class Chmp	SV	96
	Sgl Class Chmp	SV	100
2006	Sgl Class Chmp	SV	100
	Dbl Class Chmp	SV	97
	Dbl Chmp	SV	93
	TR Hd Chmp	3rd	97
	All-Ar	SV	386
2005	Mem Sgl	Vt	98
	C.G. Sgl	Vt	100
2004	C.G. Dbl	Vt	97
	Sgl Class Chmp	Vt	100
	Sgl Chmp	CH	200x200
	Hd Chmp	Vt	94 (27)
	HOA	Vt	949
2003	P.V. Dbl	Vt	92
	LHC Dbl	Vt	95
	Dbl Chmp	Vt	80
2002	P.V. Dbl	Vt	98
	LHC Dbl	Vt	92

	Dbl Class Chmp	Vt	96
2001	100 Sgl	Vt	97
	100 Hd	Vt	94 (27)
	100 Sgl	Vt	100
	100 Dbl	Vt	98
	Dbl Chmp	CH	100
	All-Ar	Vt	383
	HOA	Vt	952x1,000
2000	Tues 100 Sgl	AA	99
	Wed Sgl	AA	100
	Dbl Chmp	CH Ru	97
1998	P.V. Dbl	AA	95
	Bullhead Dbl	AA	98
	Hd Chmp	CH Ru	94 (27)
	All-Ar	AA	315
1996	100 Dbl	AA	99
1995	Sgl Class Chmp	A	99

#### Additional P.I.T.A accomplishments

##### Grand Pacific

2013	White Flyer Handicap	AZ State Winner	
2011	Prelim HOA	Elder	553/600
2010	Preliminary Doubles	A Class	98
2009	Preliminary Doubles	Senior	96
2006	Preliminary Doubles	Senior	98
	Singles Championship	Senior	199
	Dbls Championship	Senior R/U	97
2004	Dbls Championship	AA R/U	98
2003	Singles Chmp	AA	199
1998	Dbls Chmp	CH	99

##### Washington State PITA

2010	Preliminary Doubles	Senior	91
2006	Preliminary Singles	Senior	98
2003	Preliminary Singles	Vet	100
1997	Preliminary Doubles	A	98
	Dbls Championship	O/S	99

AZ State Team - 7 Times - 1998, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2010

Three Grand Slams - First completed August, 23, 199 - Rank #209

AA-27-AA Pin first awarded in 1997

588,775 ATA Registered Targets - Plus 71,600 P.I.T.A Registered Targets