

Murle Breer



Status: Non-exempt
Career Victories (last): Four (1969)
Joined LPGA: 1958
1984 Mazda-LPGA Series Rank: 152
Career Best Finish: Four wins
Low Career Round: 66
Career Earnings (Rank): \$263,280 (49)

Professional: A U.S. Women's Open championship was not on Breer's mind the day she entered a pro-am event in Savannah. At the time, she was a 15-year-old who had been playing golf less than a year. Breer was working at a par-three course on this fateful day and entered a pro-am as an amateur. Nevertheless, she was announced as "Murle Breer—professional". According to legend she has been a professional ever since. Within eight years, Breer had gone from coincidental professional to the 1962 U.S. Women's Open champion. She defeated JoAnn Prentice and Ruth Jessen by one shot at Dunes GC in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, to gain her first victory. She won three more tournaments after her Open win and also captured the 1979 JC Penney Classic teaming with Dave Eichelberger. They defeated Silvia Bertolaccini and Jim Colbert by one shot. Breer recorded a T5 finish at the 1980 Sarah Coventry but has not cracked the top 10 since. She only played in 12 1983 tournaments (best finish: T56, Orlando Classic). She bettered that during her eight 1984 tournaments. In her first event, the S&H Golf Classic, Breer posted a 25th place tie and although she lowered her scoring average from her 1983 average she could not record a higher finish.

Personal: 5'5", sandy blonde hair, green eyes . . . Formerly Murle Lindstrom, married to Robert Breer, an aeronautical engineer . . . Has two daughters, Tracy Lou, 19, and Vicki Lynn, 17 . . . Enjoys jogging and participates in the LPGA Fellowship . . . Represents Savannah Inn and CC.

LPGA Victories: (4) 1962 U.S. Women's Open, San Antonio Civitan Open. 1967 Carlsbad Open. 1969 O'Sullivan Open.

Unofficial Wins: (1) 1979 JC Penney Classic (with Dave Eichelberger).

BREER'S LPGA RECORD

(Year, number of events, best finish, money, rank, scoring average)

1958	20	T-7	\$ 1,021	23	76.69	1972	12	2	\$ 7,943	34	76.41
1959	26	T-2	6,002	14	77.23	1973	21	T-2	17,074	30	74.55
1960	20	T-3	4,372	18	76.87	1974	23	2	37,788	11	73.89
1961	13	5	5,182	15	76.61	1975	20	T-4	15,231	30	73.79
1962	13	1	4,992	15	76.27	1976	22	3	23,600	25	74.71
1963	9	2	2,734	26	75.50	1977	20	T-11	14,803	49	74.45
1964	8	15	724	37	77.36	1978	26	T-8	21,143	41	74.57
1965	1	T-17	150	41	74.50	1979	25	T-6	26,492	41	74.57
1966	12	9	2,455	29	76.00	1980	24	T-5	12,803	73	75.58
1967	25	1	11,418	11	74.68	1981	16	T-27	3,355	120	76.19
1968	29	T-4	10,632	18	74.98	1982	14	T-46	1,815	135	76.34
1969	24	1	19,630	8	73.93	1983	11	T-56	206	168	76.20
1970	12	4	5,910	27	74.86	1984	10	T-25	2,425	160	75.67
1971	8	T-10	3,370	42	76.19						