



# Harvey Lee Hofwolt

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Harvey Lee Hofwolt was born October 27, 1937, at a farm in Presho, South Dakota. His early education started at a public one-room schoolhouse in Lyman County and later he enrolled at the South Dakota School for the Deaf as a freshman, graduating in 1957. He then was enrolled at Gallaudet College (now University)

graduating in 1962.

After several different positions and career changes, Harvey found himself working for the Bunge Foods Company in Gardena, California. He had finally found his passion and maintained his employment with the company as a maintenance and repair Foreman for 30 years, until his retirement. Presently, Harvey enjoys traveling during the winter months in his RV — mainly throughout the Southwest and then helps out on his brother's ranch in Presho, during the summers.

While in High School at SDSD, Harvey competed in Track and Field events; he held the long jump record, which he broke on May 6, 1957, with a jump of 20 feet and 3 and a half inches (beating the former record of 20 feet and ½ inch). Harvey also was a member of the track team of four that helped to reclaim the Little Sioux Conference track championship title, bringing that prestigious recognition back to SDSD. Finally, he also has the distinction of being the very first person to win the National Championship (in the Handicapped Division) at the first annual US Deaf Golf Tournament that was held in Denver, Colorado in 1980.

To this day, his interests and hobbies include playing golf and studying meditation, Zen enlightenment and the way of the Ascended Masters.