

**The 1996
Joseph G. Rogers
Award**

for Dedication, Accomplishments
and Excellence in
YMCA Competitive Swimming and Diving
is presented to

GLORIA SUMMERS



Gloria Summers' commitment and dedication to the YMCA dates back to her youth as a member of the Tuscarawas County YMCA at age seven. Gloria went on to conduct learn-to-swim programs for the YMCA at the municipal pool and later taught progressive swimming classes, life saving, synchronized swimming at the Ross County YMCA for many years.

An active volunteer for the Ross County YMCA Swim Team, Gloria served on numerous committees as well as the Board of Directors. Her many accomplishments include:

- President of the YMCA National Competitive Swimming & Diving Committee - 6 years
- Secretary of the YMCA National Competitive Swimming & Diving Committee - 10 years
- Meet Director Short Course National Championships - 3 years
- Meet Director Long Course National Championships - 3 years
- United States Swimming Board of Directors, 4 years
- Registered Level II and III YMCA Official
- Established the P.R.A.V. Health Services and retired after 20 years
- "1978 Citizen of the Year" awarded by the Chillicothe Jaycees
- YMCA Great Lakes Physical Education Committee, former member
- Toured Russian Olympic Sites with the National YMCA in 1977

Gloria has three children, Lesley Shope, Brad Summers, and Creston Summers; and five grandchildren Nicole, Colton, Collin, Amanda, and Meghan. Born in Dover, Ohio in 1928, Gloria currently resides in Chillicothe, Ohio with her husband of 45 years, John (Jack) Summers.

This award is presented to Gloria Summers not only for her many years of service with the YMCA, but for her loyalty, dedication and love for the many athletes, coaches, and volunteers in swimming and diving.