

# Judy Rankin



**Rookie year:** 1962  
**Career victories (last):** 26 (1979)  
**Career-low round:** 63  
**Career earnings (rank):** \$887,858 (178)  
**LPGA career holes-in-one:** 2  
**Playoff record:** 4-12  
**International victories:** 1



## Professional

### Career

- In 2007, received the Ben Hogan Award and the LPGA Komen Award.
- In 2000, became the first player voted into the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame under the Veteran's Category; inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame on Nov. 20.
- Commentates for men's and women's professional golf tournaments on ABC, ESPN and ESPN2.
- Captained the victorious 1996 and 1998 U.S. Solheim Cup Teams.
- In 1994 and 1995, competed in the Sprint Senior Challenge, an unofficial event.
- Due to chronic back problems, her last full season on Tour was 1983; underwent back surgery in 1985.
- In 1981, recorded the second hole-in-one of her LPGA career during the Henredon Classic.
- From 1970-79, recorded at least one win each season.
- In 1977, won five tournaments and earned Player of the Year and Vare Trophy honors.
- In 1976, won six tournaments and set a single-season earnings record of \$150,734, becoming the first LPGA player ever to cross \$100,000 in a season; named Player of the Year and earned her second Vare Trophy.
- In 1973, won four tournaments and recorded a total of 25 top-10 finishes; earned her first of three Vare Trophies.
- From 1968-79, accumulated 26 victories.
- In 1968, captured her first tournament victory at the Corpus Christi Open.

## Amateur

Rankin's victory as a 14-year-old in the 1959 Missouri Amateur is still a record for youngest winner in that event. At age 15, she became the youngest player to finish as low amateur at the U.S. Women's Open in 1960 (that record has since been broken). She was a semifinalist at the U.S. Girls' Junior Amateur Championship from 1960-61 and won the Missouri Amateur again in 1961.

## Personal

5'3"...Started playing golf at the age of 6 under the guidance of her father Paul and has received instruction from Eddie Held, Bob Greene and Bob Toski...Married Yippy Rankin in June 1967...Maiden name is Torluemke... Played as Judy Torluemke from 1962-67 and as Judy Torluemke Rankin from 1968-73...Son Tuey played football at Texas Tech and coaches high school football and baseball in Lubbock, Texas...Commentates for ABC Sports, ESPN and ESPN2, is a professional adviser for *Golf Digest* magazine and is a LPGA Hall of Fame Editor for *Golf For Women* magazine...Winner of the 1976-77 Seagrams Seven Crowns of Sports Award...Named Golf Writers Association of America (GWAA) Female Player of the Year from 1976-77...A former LPGA board member and 1976-77 president of the LPGA...Inducted into the Texas Golf Hall of Fame in 1987...In 1993, was inducted into the All-American Collegiate Golf Hall of Fame...Inducted into the Texas Sports Hall of Fame on Jan. 27, 1999... Awarded the GWAA's 1999 William H. Richardson Award...Awarded the 1999 Patty Berg Award and the PGA of America's 1999 First Lady of Golf Award...Recognized during the LPGA's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2000 as one of the LPGA's top-50 players and teachers...In 2000, was inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame and received the United States Sports Academy's Distinguished Service Award...Received the 2001 Dave Marr Memorial Award from the Shell Oil Company...Received the 2002 Bobby Jones Award from the USGA...In 2007, received the Ben Hogan Award for her comeback to the game of golf after recovering from breast cancer and was the recipient of the LPGA Komen Award...Represents TaylorMade.

## LPGA Victories, Awards, Etc.

**LPGA Victories (26):** 1968 Corpus Christi Civitan Open. 1970 George Washington Golf Classic, Springfield Jaycee Open, Lincoln-Mercury Open. 1971 Quality-First Classic. 1972 Lady Eve Open, Heritage Village Open. 1973 American Defender-Raleigh Classic, Lady Carling Open, Pabst Ladies Classic, GAC Classic. 1974 Baltimore Classic. 1975 National Jewish Hospital Open. 1976 Burdine's Invitational, Colgate-Dinah Shore Winner's Circle, Karsten-PING Open, Babe Zaharias Invitational, Borden Classic, Colgate-Hong Kong Open. 1977 Orange Blossom Classic, Bent Tree Classic, Mayflower Classic, Peter Jackson Classic, Colgate European Women's Open. 1978 WUI Classic. 1979 WUI Classic.

**Unofficial Victories (2):** 1974 Colgate European Open. 1977 LPGA National Team Championship (with JoAnne Carner).

**LPGA Awards (8):** LPGA Player of the Year (2), Vare Trophy (3). 1973 Vare Trophy. 1976 LPGA Player of the Year, Vare Trophy. 1977 LPGA Player of the Year, Vare Trophy. 1998 William and Mousie Powell Award. 1999 Patty Berg Award. 2007 LPGA Komen Award.

**The Solheim Cup (2, as captain):** 1996, 1998.

## Major Championship History

	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75
<b>KNC</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>LPGA</b>	34	T35	T13	T24	DNP	DNP	DNP	9	T14	T7	T24	T11	T6	T20
<b>OPEN</b>	T26	34	DNP	T10	7	T11	T9	MC	MC	MC	T2	T5	MC	9
<b>DM</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83
<b>KNC</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	T44
<b>LPGA</b>	2	T2	3	T10	T25	67	T16	DNP
<b>OPEN</b>	T17	T10	T53	T26	WD	T48	DNP	DNP
<b>DM</b>	X	X	X	T5	DNP	T30	T38	DNP

## Rankin's LPGA Record

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

<b>1962</b>	15	T10	\$ 701	41	79.08	<b>1973</b>	33	1	\$ 72,989	2	73.08
<b>1963</b>	23	5	2,539	33	78.44	<b>1974</b>	26	1	45,882	9	73.68
<b>1964</b>	29	T3	8,630	13	74.99	<b>1975</b>	21	1	50,174	5	72.32
<b>1965</b>	28	2	12,237	9	74.54	<b>1976</b>	26	1	150,734	1	72.25
<b>1966</b>	30	2	15,180	7	74.52	<b>1977</b>	28	1	122,890	1	72.16
<b>1967</b>	12	T2	4,600	29	74.59	<b>1978</b>	22	1	51,306	15	73.54
<b>1968</b>	9	1	8,617	23	72.75	<b>1979</b>	25	1	108,511	8	72.68
<b>1969</b>	16	2	16,310	14	73.79	<b>1980</b>	17	2	54,182	21	72.63
<b>1970</b>	19	1	22,194	5	73.33	<b>1981</b>	22	T2	48,198	27	73.61
<b>1971</b>	21	1	17,924	9	74.18	<b>1982</b>	20	T16	15,452	80	74.38
<b>1972</b>	29	1	49,183	4	73.08	<b>1983</b>	16	T18	8,637	110	75.13