

## ROSIE JONES

Rosie Jones, A Cibola HS graduate and 1985 Albuquerque Sports Hall of Fame Female Athlete of the Year, is currently on the LPGA golfing tour.

Rosie captured the 10<sup>th</sup> win of her career in '99 at the Firststar LPGA Classic, where she defeated Jan Stephenson and Becky Iverson on the fourth hole of a sudden-death playoff.

By 1999, she had posted a total of 12 top 10 finishes. She also had eight top ten finishes in 2000 and earned \$643,054 for 9<sup>th</sup> place in earnings. Rosie is currently listed as twelfth in career earnings (\$4,898,924), just behind Nancy Lopez, who is ranked tenth.

She had previously won the Corning Classic in 1996 and in 1997, where she was also involved in a sudden-death playoff with Tammie Green. Also, at the Corning Classic in 1987, she posted her career low round of 64. At the Wegman Rochester International LPGA, she tied her record with another round of 64 and this enabled her to win her 9<sup>th</sup> LPGA tournament.

In 1988, she defeated Kathy Whitworth, LPGA Hall of Famer and another NM golf great, in a sudden-death playoff at the USX Golf Classic.

In 1991, she recorded her fifth victory at the Rochester International and narrowly missed out on another victory that season when she lost to Pat Bradley in a sudden-death playoff at the Safeco Classic.

Rosie now lives in Atlanta, GA, but maintains close ties to Albuquerque in that her mother, sister, and brother-in-law live here! She represented the USA (12 players selected) in the Sochtem Cup 4 times in her career, and each time has made sure to put "Albuquerque, New Mexico" on her bag as her hometown (1990, 1996, 1998, 2000).