



BRENDA SILVA

HOMETOWN: Snowflake, AZ

SHOOTER CLASSIFICATION: NRA Precision Pistol, Master

EVENTS: Women's 10m Air Pistol, Women's 25m Sport Pistol & NRA Precision Pistol, PPC

Brenda learned to shoot in the Orange County Sheriff's Police Explorer Program in 1979. She won the 1980 National Police Explorer Pistol Match and was invited to the Olympic Training Center. There she was introduced to air pistol. Brenda shot for two years as a junior and shot in the 1982 Nationals where she finished 11th place. She stopped shooting air pistol after that Nationals and joined the Orange County Sheriff's Department Pistol Team. She shot PPC for three years as a distinguished master. She stopped competitively shooting in 1987 after the birth of her son. In 2006, after her son started college, Brenda came back on the shooting scene, earning top honors at the USA Shooting Nationals and Fall Selection and a spot on the National Team in air pistol. She began shooting Bullseye Pistol in 2010. Brenda is a retired peace officer having spent 29 years in law enforcement and retiring as a Lieutenant with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department at the Perris Patrol Station. She graduated from Chapman University in 1998 with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and again in 2002 with a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership.

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS:

USA Shooting - International

- 2015 National Championships, Gold Medalist (Sport)
- 2014 National Championships, Silver Medalist (Sport)
- 2013 National Championships, Bronze Medalist (Sport)
- 2010 World Team member
- 2009 National Championships, Gold Medalist (Air)
- 2008 National Championships, Gold Medalist (Air)
- 2008 Olympian, 37th Place (Air)
- 2008 Air gun Olympic Trials, Silver Medalist
- 2007 National Championships, Bronze Medalist (Air); 6th (Sport)
- 15 World Cups, 9 top 20 finishes

NRA CMP Precision Pistol

- 2013 Mayleigh Cup Team
- 2014 Woman National Champion - National Matches, Camp Perry
- 2016 Woman National Champion - National Matches, Camp Perry
- Distinguished Service Pistol
- Distinguished Revolver
- Distinguished .22 Pistol
- 2013 became the first woman join the Ultradot team

Additional Shooting Interests and Activities

- 2010-2012: Assistant coach for the Bridge Jr. Shooting Club (La Puente, CA)
- 2012 to 2016 – Alternate Athlete Representative - USA Shooting Board of Directors
- 2011-Current – Member, and past President, of the White Mountain Bullseye Shooters Club
- 2016-2018- Youth Director and Board Member of the White Mountain Shooters Association.. Running the Young Guns Junior Program and Club, which included rifle and pistol instruction.
- USA Shooting Pistol Coach-Level 3
- NRA Certified Pistol Instructor and Range Safety Officer