

**CORIE AND SALLY HIRES  
SPRINGVILLE, TENNESSEE**

Corie and Sally Hires are a great example of the character of square dancers. They have given generously of their time and talent to promote square and round dancing across the state. Although Corie passed away June 29, 1998, he continues to be remembered for his wonderful personality and contributions to our activity. Sally continues their legacy of leadership and hard work.

Originally from Illinois, Corie and Sally first took lessons in Dolton in 1962. Retirement (Corie from bricklaying and Sally from teaching school) brought them to Tennessee in 1985. They immediately joined the Paris Pairs square dance and Pickler Pairs round dance clubs. Sally and Corie danced regularly all around West Tennessee—Gibson, Jackson, Dyersburg, Savannah, Martin and Murray, KY—and the rest of the state.

Not content just to dance, Corie and Sally served in many leadership positions. They have held the office of President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer of the Paris Pairs. They have served the West Tennessee Square and Round Dance Association by holding the offices of President and Secretary and the Area Vice President and Area Delegate to the state association. Corie and Sally held some of the offices multiple terms.

Sally and Corie have shown leadership and commitment in supporting the Tennessee State Association of Square and Round Dancers by working with the Showcase of Ideas for several years at the National Conventions. They have served the state association as Recording Secretary, Education committee chairman, and Publicity committee chairman. Most recently, Sally completed a term as Vice President. She has worked on several state conventions in different capacities including Vice Chairman.

They have supported Square and Round Dancing in all areas of the state by being a very faithful and active participant of the Tennessee Traveler Program.