

Chip Beck Player Biography

HEIGHT: 5'10" WEIGHT: 170

BIRTH DATE: September 12, 1956

RESIDENCE: Lake Forest, Illinois

FAMILY: Wife, Karen; Children, Charles, Elizabeth,

Mary Catherine, Anne Marie, John, Carl Henry

SPECIAL INTERESTS: Landscaping, water skiing, paddle tennis

COLLEGE: University of Georgia
TURNED PROFESSIONAL: 1978

Chip Beck is a player known for his contagious enthusiasm and positive attitude. Beck got off to a blazing debut on the Champions Tour in September 2006. Just five days after his 50th birthday, Beck finished T5 in his first start at the Constellation Energy Classic. The following week, Chip was a solo third-place finisher at the Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn, posting three consecutive rounds in the 60s. One week later, Beck found himself on top of the leader board yet again. Beck claimed a T2 finish at the weather-shortened SAS Championship near Raleigh. Beck saved the best for last at the AT&T Championship in San Antonio. Chip Beck was the clubhouse leader when he finished his Sunday round, shooting an impressive 6 under par 65 to eventually finish in a solo second place. Chip finished his rookie season on the Champions Tour with other \$505,000 in winnings placing him at 35th on the money list.

In 2007 Chip was part of the winning U.S. Team in the Lexus Championship Challenge over the Japanese Team. He also had a 2007 victory on the Japan Senior Tour at the Kinojo Senior Open. On the Champions Tour he had \$361,000 in winnings in 2007 placing him at 51st on the money list.

Beck made his initial mark on the PGA Tour in 1988, recording his first two wins at the Los Angeles Open and USF&G Classic. Chip maintained his excellent playing record, winning the 1990 Buick Open. However, it is not a PGA Tour Victory that made Chip Beck a legend in golf. In his third round at the Las Vegas Invitational in 1991, Chip recorded the second 59 in PGA Tour history and forever etched his name into the golf record books. In August 2003, Chip accomplished another historical feat. During the second round of the 2003 Omaha Classic, Chip shot the first ace on a par-4 hole on the Nationwide Tour.

Chip added his fourth career victory in 1992, with a win at the Freeport-McMoran Golf Classic. He followed with a stellar 1993 in which he finished second at the Masters and earned a Ryder Cup berth, the third of his career. He represented the United States well at the Belfry that year, beating Barry Lane in a singles match to help secure the Cup.

When Chip is not playing, he enjoys spending time with his wife and six children. He also gives speeches and golf clinics at corporate outings and charity events throughout the country.