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Arthur Bronson, IFBBA Founder

Arthur Bronson is a native of Kansas City, Missouri. He learned how to fish as a child under the guidance of his grandfather Finis Green, Sr. and uncles Finis "Sonny" Green Jr., and Joe Wright. Every summer his grandfather, Finis Green, who was a well-known chef in Sedalia, Missouri, would take Art to work with him. While he worked, he would let Art go to Flat Creek, which ran through Sedalia, MO to fish. As a teenager he learned the fundamentals of bass fishing from his uncles. He would later hone his newly acquired skills at Lake Placid, MO. Art continued to bass fish while serving in the military and while in college. Fishing was an enjoyable past time for Art, but a chance meeting would soon change all that.

In 1974, while shopping in a fishing store, a fishing lure distributor approached Art. The gentleman recognized Art from his past time spent fishing on the banks at a nearby lake. He offered Arthur sponsorship to fish at an upcoming tournament in the area. Arthur agreed and with only two poles, plastic worms, and a few crank baits he entered the "Bass Casters of America" (BCA) tournament.

On the first day, Arthur led the tournament. The second day, he placed second.....behind Bill Dance!

Bill won the tournament. Afterwards, Bill motioned for Art to join him at his truck where he gifted Arthur several hundred strike king spinner baits.

Art continued to enter the BCA events and won two of their national tournaments but was never able to obtain additional sponsorship. During his years of active tournament participation, he worked as a fishing lure distributor for the infamous Jim Keck of Central Florida. On a bet, Arthur became the host of a cable network television show called "Fisherman's Hangout." The show ran from 1990-1991. From 1991-1995 he hosted "Hook, Line and Sinker: A Fishing Story.

After the show ended in spring of 1995, Art realized there was a need for a unique and different fishing organization. With his experience from his years as a tournament fisherman and affiliation with other fishing organizations such as SABBA and Quad state, Arthur felt the need to create an organization that would be inclusive and diverse of all Bass fishermen and fisherwomen, not limiting the to a particular geographical region. From his vision, the International Federation of Black Bass Anglers (IFBBA) was born.

The IFBBA has grown tremendously since then. It started out with only eight members 7 men and 1 woman. Other anglers locally and nationally shared his vision the numbers grew. The IFBBA now boasts over 120,000 members worldwide. The first 20 years has been filled with as many successes and challenges, but Art is still committed to his initial vision: No Borders between Bass Fishermen.

Art currently resides in Concord, NC with his wife, Sabrina Hafer Bronson.

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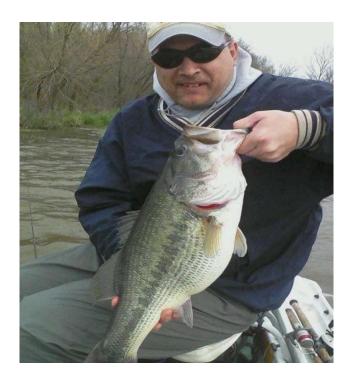
## IFBBA FOUNDING MEMBERS



Helen Bronson from Missouri.



Shayne Bronson, Sr. from Missouri.



Don Horn from Kansas.



Lance Beasley from Nebraska.



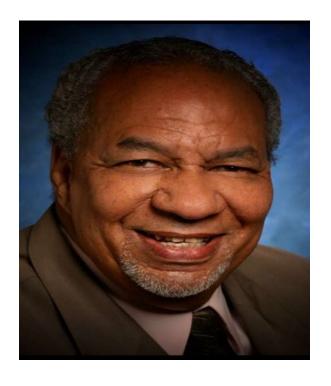
Michael Clark from Nebraska.



Scott Ventimigila from Missouri.



Willie Fisher from Missouri.



Frank Peak from Nebraska.



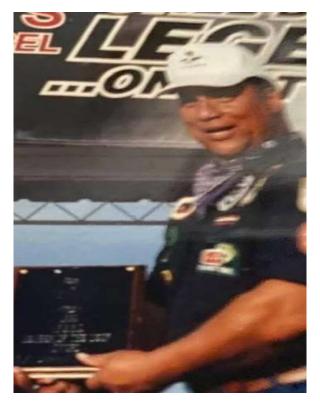
Charlie King from Missouri.



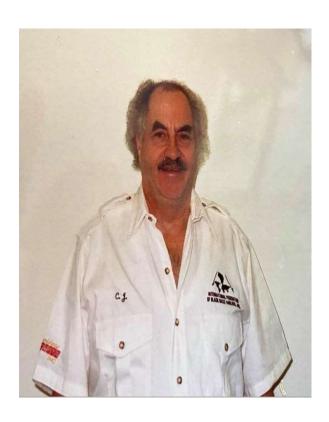
Myron Watts from Arkansas.



Buddy Perry from Florida.



Alex Russell from Illinois.



CJ Kuhn from Missouri.



Tony Taylor from Missouri.



Daved Bronson from Missouri.



Finis Bronson from Missouri.



Lem Lampkins from FL.



Eugene Smith from TX.



Leonard McGregor IA.

## IFBBA MEMBERS 25+ YEARS



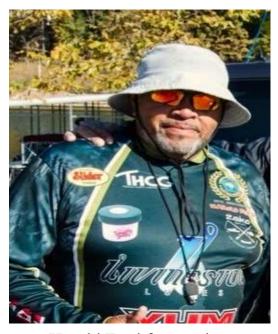
Glynis and Jay Lamb from Missouri.



Tyrone Phillips from Arkansas.



Brian Templeton from Missouri.



Harold Ford from Arkansas.



Howard Sterling from Ohio.



Donuel Bruno from California.

## IFBBA INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS



Jose Diaz from Spain.



Javier Nieto from Spain.

## IFBBA WALL OF CHAMPIONS

#### IFBBA LOGOS THROUGH THE YEARS



1995-2004

THE FIRST LOGO WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED BY

FINIS BRONSON, ARTHUR'S SON.





#### 2004-2015

THE LOGO WAS REDESIGNED BY
ARTHUR BRONSON. THE FLAGS IN
THE LOWER PART OF THE LOGO
REPRESENTS THE COUNTRIES THAT
HAVE BLACK BASS IN FRESH

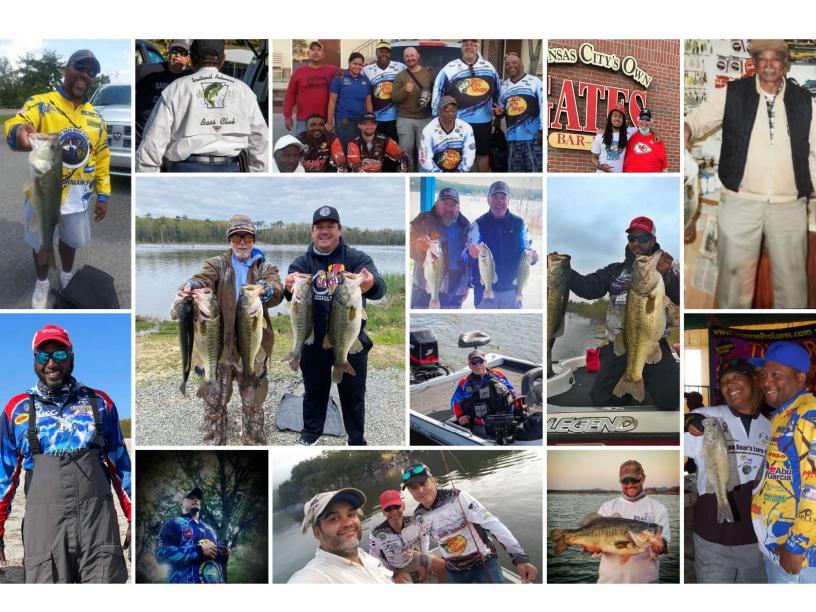


## IFBBA MEMORIES























#### IFBBA SPONSORS CONT.







