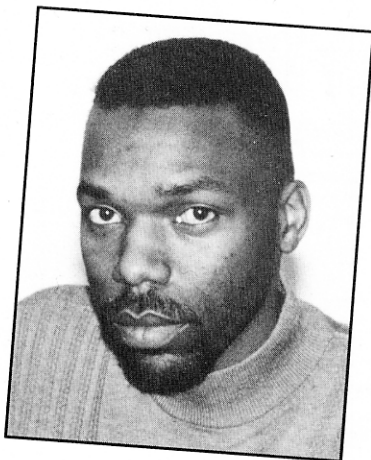


# HERMAN LEE JR.



**BIRTHDATE:** January 11, 1967.

**BIRTHPLACE:** Detroit, Michigan.

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** Clinton, Maryland.

**MARITAL STATUS:** Single but engaged to be married in August.

**EDUCATION:** Graduate of Suitland High and Winston-Salem State University in North Carolina, where I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science.

**CURRENT JOB:** Senior billing analyst with Teligent.

**EARLIEST BOWLING MEMORY:** Hooking a Brunswick Black Beauty from gutter to gutter at age 5 at Bowl America Silver Hill.

**CURRENT LEAGUES/AVERAGES:** Potomac (Lanes) Masters /226; Lost Weekenders at Shirley / 217; (Bowl America) Duke Majors / 215; Mixed 5 at Parkland / 201.

**LEAGUE OFFICER POSITION:** President, Lost Weekenders.

**MOST RECENT BOWLING ACCOMPLISHMENT:** I advanced to the seventh round of 1997 High Roller, where I was one shot away from beating John Gaines.

**HIGH GAME/SERIES:** 300 (10) / 826.

**TOURNAMENT TITLES:** Three Nation's Capital/Baltimore Area Masters events; two Tournament Concepts events.

**BEST PART OF MY GAME:** My intensity.

**WORST PART OF MY GAME:** I have problems "squaring up"—playing more direct (straight up the boards).

**GREATEST BOWLING MOMENT:** My 826 series at Annandale.

**WORST OR MOST EMBARRASSING BOWLING MOMENT:**

My 296 game in a NABI tournament at Falls Church when I left a washout in front of a huge crowd that had gathered.

**BEST TACTIC I USE TO HANDLE PRESSURE:** I take long, deep breaths.

**ALL-TIME FAVORITE BOWLER:** Steve Hoskins. I like his lane coverage. I try to pick up some of the things he does. He has a lot of similarities in his game that I have, so I can identify with him.

**PROS I ENJOY WATCHING ON TV:** I like the older guys—Marshall Holman, Dave Husted, Roger Bowker, and Hoskins.

**LOCAL BOWLERS I MOST ADMIRE:** Ron Holt and Lee Brosius. I like the way that Ron carries himself. He has a good attitude toward the game. We all get upset, but generally if he's upset, it's shown outside of the bowling center. He doesn't show a lot of emotion. From a mental standpoint, that's how I like to be. You never want to let them see you sweat! ... I like Lee's tenacity.

**SPARE-SHOOTER RATING (10=best / 1=worst):** 8. I take some spares for granted, and I'm not as focused as I should be.

**SPARE LEAVE I DON'T WANT TO SEE IN THE 10TH FRAME:** The 7-pin.

**SPARE LEAVE ABOUT WHICH I'M PRETTY CONFIDENT:** The 10-pin.

**BEST BOWLING TIP I EVER RECEIVED:** About four years ago, both Gerry Flemming and Bob Pendergraft suggested that I add a (sixth) prep step to my approach. This step is in place, but it gets me started. I was having a problem with my ball speed and my timing, and this tip has made a world of difference.

**IMPORTANCE OF BOWLING IN MY LIFE (10=very important / 1=not important at all):** 8. When I'm not bowling, I'm away from it. But that's not to say if I ride past a bowling center it doesn't come right back to mind.

**BEST PART ABOUT BEING A LEAGUE PRESIDENT:** Being in a leadership role and having the respect of my peers.

**WORST PART ABOUT BEING A LEAGUE PRESIDENT:** You are the ears for everything. You hear it all!

**THE THING I LEAST UNDERSTAND ABOUT BOWLING:** Why people "cry" so much. You're going to have more bad days than good days, and if you can't handle that, then maybe you're in the wrong sport.

**INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF BOWLING:** Movies, music (jazz and R&B): Boney James, Earl Klugh, Lee Ritenour, Branford Marsalis. (I played the trumpet in school and have two or three in my possession.)

**FAVORITE MEAL:** A 20-ounce Porterhouse steak with mashed potatoes.

**FAVORITE BEVERAGE:** Molson Ice.

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**FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR:** Butter Pecan.

**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "SportsCenter" on ESPN. The only series I watch religiously is "Oz."

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *The Godfather*—the first one.

**FAVORITE AUTHOR/BOOK:** John Grisham—his whole series.

**FAVORITE STORE:** T & J's Bowl Mart.

**FAVORITE VACATION SPOT:** Las Vegas.

**MOST PRIZED POSSESSION:** The first dollar I ever earned when I worked with one of my uncles at his gas station in North Carolina.

**NICKNAME:** Happy.

**FAVORITE WEB SITE:** *espn.com*.

**RECENT NON-BOWLING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH I'M MOST PROUD:** Getting my job at Teligent by having the courage to move on to something else. I find a lot of people become stagnant with their security. I had worked at AT&T for 13 years until last year, and I took a risk. I decided I needed to broaden my horizons.

**NON-BOWLING PRODUCT I WOULD FREELY ENDORSE:** Anything made by Sony.

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## FALLA



AT LEAST LET ME BOWL DUCK PINS.

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION I CAN NEVER KEEP:** To work out on a regular basis. I'd like to add some pounds and some mass.

**THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE (DEAD OR ALIVE) I'D INVITE FOR DINNER:** Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, and Stevie Wonder.

**PET PEEVE:** People who take the "last one" of anything I have—crackers, a piece of gum, whatever. If I have 20 of 'em, you can take 19; just *don't take the last one*. Save it for me!

**WORD THAT BEST DESCRIBES ME:** *Level-headed*.

**ONE THING NOBODY KNOWS ABOUT ME:** I was a pretty good baseball player coming out of high school. I made Second Team All-County at Suitland as a third-baseman.

**PEOPLE IN HIGH SCHOOL THOUGHT:** I was too shy. I wasn't real outgoing.

**BIGGEST PERSONAL REGRET:** Not continuing my music career.

**BIGGEST PERSONAL DISAPPOINTMENT:** Being passed over for some jobs in the past. I know I was qualified, but there were some politics involved.

**BIGGEST SURPRISE:** The fact that I'm known and people come to talk to me. I'm not one to toot my own horn.

**I INDULGE MYSELF BY...:** Buying clothes, such as a suit, or getting new shoes.

**SUPERSTITIONS:** None.

**ONE THING I'D CHANGE ABOUT MYSELF:** To be more outspoken and say what's on my mind.

**IMMEDIATE BOWLING GOAL:** To win the ABC Tournament this year or the Bowlers Journal! event in Reno, Nev.

**ULTIMATE BOWLING GOAL:** Rolling a 900 series.

**THE ONE THING I'VE LEARNED:** Everyone who *appears* to be your friend is *not* your friend!

**PARTICULAR TALENT I WISH I HAD:** The ability to accept rejection better. A lot of people in sales or just in different phases of life have to constantly go through hearing "no," and it's never been something that I handle real well.

**WHEN I GET AWAY FROM IT ALL, I...:** Kick back, grab my favorite beverage, turn on the TV, and watch whatever sport is on. As long as it's something where people are competing, I'll watch it.

**LIFE GOALS (10-20 YEARS FROM NOW):** Marriage, a child—*singular*, a nice home, and stability.

**MOTTO I LIVE BY:** Treat others as I like to be treated.