HALL OF FAME NOMINATION

Biography for SHA’TASHA ALLEN
College of the Canyons (1998-2000)

Sha’Tasha Allen came to College of the Canyons in 1998 as an All-Los Angeles City selection from Banning High School. She played primarily as a small or power forward for the Pilots because she was a very strong 5-9 player on a team of smaller players. Upon arrival at Canyons, Sha’Tasha spent much of the pre-season conditioning period learning to play point guard, a position she would say early in her career, “I can’t do it.” Well, not only could she do it, she went on to be one of the most feared point guards in California, leading Canyons’ fast break to great heights. An All-Western State Conference selection as a freshman and the WSC Most Valuable Player in 2000, Sha’Tasha would lead the state in assists both seasons and engineer a state team scoring title her sophomore year. Also in her second year, she would lead Canyons to a 12-0 WSC Championship, the “Elite Eight” State Tournament in Stockton and earn All-State First Team honors. She would finish her 2-year at College of the Canyons as the All-Time Leading Scorer with 1,242 points, surpassing CCCWBCA Hall of Famer Tressie Millender’s previous mark of 1,223, and hold school records for Most Free Throws Attempted in Season (216), Most Free Throws Made in a Season (163) and Most Free Throws Made in One Game (16). All three records still stand today. The team’s record in her two seasons was 46-17.

Upon graduation from Canyons, Sha’Tasha would accept a full scholarship to California State University at Northridge where she would play two successful seasons for the Lady Matadors. A graduate of CSUN, Sha’Tasha is pursuing a career in nursing. Over the past five years, she has fought a very serious and debilitating illness which has caused her to be in and out of hospitals. And although she has had to put career goals on hold, she’s going to win the battle. Her coach at Canyons, Greg Herrick, says this about her, “She didn’t think she was going to win the point guard battle either, but her victory there has inspired her to battle this illness with just as much determination. I believe in Sha’Tasha and I believe she will overcome this life-threatening illness.”