

Sherri is a relatively late comer to the sport of tennis, taking it up after a successful college basketball career at the University of Georgia. She moved to Phoenix in 1995 and has been playing local and sectional tournaments ever since. In 1998 at the age of 44, she won the top three singles events in the Southwest Open (Open, 25s and 35s singles) accomplishing something no one else has done in the same year.

Sherri is a two time cancer survivor, who not only continued to play and compete during her treatment, but won a singles title at the National 45 Clay Courts only months after surgery. To date, she has won 14 Gold Balls.

In 2003, while undergoing radiation for breast cancer, she continued to play tennis and work on her game. Based on her play, she was selected in 2004 as captain to represent the US and USTA in the Maria Esther Bueno Cup and led her team to victory. One week later, while being out of radiation for less than one year, she won the Women's 50 and over singles World Championship. She had previously won the 40 Doubles World Championship in Johannesburg, South Africa in 1997.

During the three year span (2004 to 2006) immediately after the breast cancer treatment, she was a finalist in the ITF World singles Championships on three different surfaces in three straight years. She has been ranked #1 in the world in Women's 55 singles. The same year in Mallorca, Spain, she was again runner-up in the World Championships. In 2010, she lost in the semifinals of the Worlds in Mexico City.

In 2011, Sherri was selected to represent the United States at the 31st ITF Seniors World Team Championships. That year's event was held in Christchurch, New Zealand, where Sherri and Team USA not only survived the 6.3 magnitude earthquake, which struck during the tournament, but defeated Great Britain in the finals.

Outside of tennis, Sherri's breast cancer experience motivated her to help others. She founded, and was Vice-President of Breast Buds, Inc., a non-profit which extended a supportive hand and heart to women diagnosed with breast cancer and their families. Although she has won many local and sectional tournaments throughout the country, her main strength and lasting legacy are her personality, sportsmanship and role as tennis ambassador.