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Here's a question to ponder: do you think any of the guys who played golf for Ledford between 1993 and 1996 had any idea that the only girl on their team (Ledford did not have a girls' team at the time) would eventually go on to become an United States Golf Association champion? Twice?

Newton won the U.S. Girls Junior Championship in 1995 (she defeated Andrea Cordova 4 and 3) and then, in 2000, she won the U.S. Women's Amateur championship (she defeated Laura Myerscough 8 and 7).

She is one of only six women to win both the U.S. Girls Junior and the U.S. Women's Amateur. That said, she did pretty well anytime she had a golf club in her hands.

She was all-Central Carolina Conference at Ledford in 1994, 1995 and 1996 and a Rolex all-American in 1994-1995.

Newton played collegiately at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill from 1996 to 2000, claiming ACC Rookie of the Year in 1996-97. She was also all-ACC in 1996-97; 1998-99, and 1999-2000, and honorable all-American in 1998-99. She won three times as a college player and was named the Carolinas (CGA) Female Player of the Year in 2000.



She played on the LPGA Tour from 2001 to 2013, playing for 13 consecutive years. Her best finish was a tie for third in the Wegman's Championship.

And, just to show how good an athlete she is, she helped the Ledford girls' basketball team win a state title in 1995, playing primarily in the low post.

Marcy and her daughter, Reece Hart, 9, live in Winston-Salem.

