

## Biography

### Grand Master Ernest Dukes Jr.

Hanshi – 10<sup>th</sup> Dan Black Belt

40+ Years in the Martial Arts

President / Founder of the BWMA Hall of Honors Awards

Tournament Promoter of the Black Warrior Martial Arts Championship

5 consecutive years

Owner / Chief Instructor of Dukes Martial Arts Academy in Charlotte, NC



Studied under the guidance of G.M. Ku Jueng, G.M. Ryusho Sakagam, G.M. Young Yu, G.M. Pui Ku Chan and Master Sue Patterson also studied some from G.M. Victor Moore

Kung-fu

Traditional Okinawan Shorin Ryu Karate

Aikido

Tae Kwan Do

Judo

Certified in Tai-Chi for Health 1982

Certified Personal Fitness Trainer 2003

Former: Law Enforcement Defensive Tactics Division for 2years

U.S. Bounty Hunter for 4 years

Won the 1978 All-Korean free style Tournament and was lauded as one of Korea's top eight players for three consecutive years.

Won the 1990 World Middle Weight Kick-Boxing title – Pro record (34)-(2)-(32) KO's

Won the 1999 NBL Grand Championship - Traditional Weapons

Won the 2001 NBL Grand Championship – Traditional Forms

Won the 2001 NBL Grand Championship- Adult Mans BB Sparring

Living legends Sports Karate Competitor – AKANA 2003 Silver Tomoe

Served in the U.S. Military – Army 1977 Proficient in jungle warfare operations, and as a Certified Instructor who trained hundreds of Military personnel, including Special Forces and Military Police.

Inducted into: American Martial Arts Alliance Hall of Fame - 2006 Grand Master of the Year

Battle of Atlanta Hall of Fame - 2007 35+ years of Devotion to the Martial Arts

Universal Martial Arts Association Hall of Fame – 2007 Regional Instructor of the Year

World Martial Arts Magazine Hall of Fame – 2008 State Promoter of the Year

Action Martial Arts Hall of Honors – 2009 Exemplary Dedication to the M.A. 37+ Years

The Kuroshi-Do Hall of Fame – 2010 SOKE of the Year

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