

George Di Carlo

USA Swimming



George lives in Lone Tree, Colorado with wife Amy, and daughters Sydney and McKenna.

Born in St. Petersburg, Florida. George moved to Denver at age 6.

Attended Kent Denver Country Day School.

Graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School .

Graduated with a Business Administration Degree from the University of Arizona .

Graduated with a Pharmacy Degree from the University of Colorado Health Science Center.

Graduated from the University of Florida with a Doctor of

Early career started with the DU (Denver University) Hill Toppers at age 8. Went on to swim with the Colorado Rapids Swim Team at Celebrity Sports Center in Denver, Colorado.

As a junior in High School, George qualified for his first Olympic Trials where he placed 13th in the 1500-meter freestyle and 18th in the 400-meter freestyle.

During his senior year of high school at Thomas Jefferson, George swam at the state high school championships and placed first in the 200 and 500 yard freestyle setting two state and pool records at the Air Force Academy. He also achieved All-American status in those events.

George decided on attending The University of Arizona and Dick Jochums, the head coach there. While in college, he was a 10 time All-American, and named the PAC-10 Conference Swimmer of the Year in 1984. Named Colorado Amateur Athlete of the Year 1984. Colorado's first Olympic Gold Medalist in Swimming. He was also awarded the prestigious PAC-10 Gold Medal for Academic Achievement and Athletic Leadership, representing the University of Arizona , 1985. Inducted into the University of Arizona Hall of Fame, 1990.

Pharmacy.

College Record:

1982-Placed 6th as a freshman in the 500yd freestyle.

1983-NCAA Champion in the 500yd freestyle and 2nd in the 1650yd freestyle.

1984-NCAA Champion in the 500yd freestyle and 2nd in the 1650yd freestyle.

Set American record 500 yd freestyle 4:15.36.

1985-Placed 2nd 500yd freestyle and 2nd 1650yd freestyle.

Held University of Arizona School records in the 500 yd freestyle, 1000 yd freestyle, 1650 yd freestyle, and 800 yd freestyle relay.

Awarded Outstanding Sophomore, Junior and Senior Athlete by the University of Arizona Awarded Outstanding Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior Swimmer at Arizona Tucson Conquistador Award for Outstanding Athlete 1984 and 1985

University of Arizona's first Olympic Gold Medalist

US Swimming Record:

1981-Spring short course 5th 1650yd freestyle.

1982-World Championship Trials: 1st 1500m freestyle and 2nd 400m freestyle.

World Championships- Ecuador , the only American to final in both the 400m freestyle and 1500m freestyle having placed 6th in both events

1983-Summer Nationals, 2nd 800m freestyle, 4th 1500m freestyle, and 6th 400m

freestyle. 1984-Olympic Trials: 1st 400m freestyle and 1st 1500m freestyle. Breaking the

two oldest American and US Open Records in U.S. men's swimming. The only swimmer at the Olympic Trials to break two American Records.

**Held the American Record for the 1500m freestyle, at 15:01.51 the oldest record in long course men's swimming for 16 yrs.

1984-Olympics: Gold Medal 400m freestyle, Olympic Record. Silver Medal 1500m freestyle.

In 1996 George was a torch bearer for the Atlanta Summer Games. In 2002 he was asked to swim the winter Olympic torch for the Salt Lake City Games. This is the first time that an Olympic Winter Torch has been swum.

In 2009 on International Olympic Day the United States Olympic Committee recognized George on the 25th Anniversary of his Olympics and for his contribution as a leader inspiring individuals and the community to strive for excellence.