

Vadakin was a two-time member on Team USA, a gold medalist at the 1989 FIQ American Zone Tournament and he was named *Bowlers Journal's* Amateur of the Year in 1989. He has also won two titles in the ABC (USBC National Open) Championships.

He has attained an astounding 29 perfect games and 12 three-game series of 800. His résumé of bowling accomplishments is endless, consisting of more achievements than most people will see in their lifetime.

In addition to his prosperous bowling career, Vadakin has a long history of success as a coach. He began coaching the WSU Shockers in 1977 and was the first certified Gold level bowling coach in college bowling. There are currently 16 USBC certified Gold level coaches worldwide.

Vadakin is also the only coach in history to have led a college team to three consecutive national championship titles. He accomplished this feat twice; once in 1993, 1994 and 1995 and again in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Not only has he led the Shockers to success, but he helped lead Team USA to multiple gold, silver and bronze medals in international tournaments. Most notably, Vadakin helped lead Team USA to four gold medals in both 1988 and 1990 at the FIQ World Youth Championships.

In addition to his induction in the Bowling Coaches Hall of Fame, Vadakin is also a member of the United States Bowling Congress Halls of Fame.

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