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Dana was born July 7, 1968 to Don “Tootie” and Maxine Brown in Mooresville, N. C. She began dancing at an early age learning jazz, tap, ballet, and later clogging. While attending a formation meeting of the lake Norman Shag Club with her parents in 1983, Dana decided to learn to shag and met her first dance partner, Rod Hager. They won their first shag contest in 1986 at the Royce Hotel in Charlotte, N. C.; top prize – a trip to London. A three-time National Shag Dance Champion (Non-Professional in 1988, Professional and Overall in 1991, and Professional in 1994), Dana was also a featured dancer in the movie “Shag” and a member of the original National Shag Dance Championships Dance Team. Dana married her husband Chad Barton in April of 1998 and their son Conor was born in October of 2005. They now live in Mt. Pleasant, S. C. with their 2 shih-tzus. She continues her love of the music and dance and can’t wait until she and Chad can teach Conor the Shag.