



## Hall of Fame Ambria Thomas

Ambria (Thomas) Younker was born on October 30, 1978 in Fairbanks, Alaska. She began skating at the age of 3, and began playing hockey at the age of 5 for Fairbanks Amateur Hockey Association (FAHA). She continued throughout the FAHA organization, as well as participated in Eastern Select team, which traveled to St. Petersburg, Russia in 1992, Arctic Winter Games in 1992 and 1994, Varsity boy's hockey for Monroe and West Valley High Schools, and eventually joined the Firebirds team in Anchorage, Alaska. She went on to win the national championship with the Firebirds U19 in 1996. She attended yearly Olympic Development Camps in Lake Placid, NY from 92'-2001. She was the leading goal scorer for the US Jr National team in 1996.

She attended the University of Minnesota and played for the Golden Gophers women's hockey program from 1997 through 2001, lettering all 4 years. She helped lead her team to a national championship in 2000.

#### Career Highlights

1983-1997 Fairbanks Amateur Hockey Competitive Team Player Mite - Midgets  
1989 Squirt A - Won Alaska Regional Hockey Tournament  
1990-2000 Selected to attend national development camps in Lake Placid, NY  
1992 Eastern Select Team St Petersburg, Russia Most Valuable Player Award  
1994-1997 Monroe High School Varsity Hockey Team  
1998 West Valley High School Varsity Hockey Team  
1996 Anchorage Firebirds U19 - Won National Championship Title  
1996 USA Women's National Junior Team Member - Won National Championship & Leading Scorer  
1996 Alternate for USA Women's Olympic Team  
1997-1998 Member of Inaugural Gopher Women's Hockey Team  
1997-2001 University of Minnesota Team Member for Women's Golden Gophers, finished with 201 career points (89 goals, 112 assists)  
1999 Member of USA Hockey Women's U22 Series Roster  
2000 University of Minnesota - AWCHA National Championship  
2000-2001 Two-time Second-Team All WCHA  
2000 Unsung Hero Award and Gopher Women's Hockey Award

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