Anthony Griffin (BEM)

Paralympic Silver Medallist

Anthony ‘Tony’ Griffin was medallist across multiple sports at the 1984 Paralympics including Para Powerlifting. He competed in the men’s Powerlifting -52kg class and secured silver lifting 45kg. Gold went to Alfred Dore of the USA.

That year he also competed in other Paralympic events and won gold in both the men’s Javelin and club throw events setting world records in each discipline.

In the 1970s and ‘80s, Tony won a total of 38 international medals across various events in a career that saw him become an icon in disability sports.

At London 2012 he carried the Olympic Torch in the run-up to the games and was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science in 2015 by the University of Bolton for his Sporting and Community achievements.

In 2019 he received a British Empire Medal from the Queen for services to Sport, to charity and to the community in Bolton.