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Fourth Annual Legends of Softball Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony



**Saturday, September 26, 2015
7:30 PM
The "D"
301 Fremont Street
Las Vegas, Nevada**



Welcome to the FSSA Legends Hall of Fame

The Legends of Softball Hall of Fame is comprised of only super major players still active in the game who have excelled over the years at the highest level possible. Legends inductees will share a special recognition among softball aficionados as players constantly striving to be the best. Being selected to this special group of athletes signifies your accomplishment in the game we all love. Legends members will be able to purchase rings and specialized hats reflecting their membership in this fraternity of softball legends.

We have broken the recognition down by state because we feel that is the most appropriate way to recognize our softball legends, and in doing so recognize all the players on a team as members of this special group of players.

The FSSA is a Federal 501C charitable organization and is funded by donations. Awards handed out by the FSSA at the dinner awards ceremony were supported by the FSSA Executive Board and by special contributors. The Legends Hall of Fame will be listed on the FSSA website, www.Floridassa.com.

Congratulations on your accomplishment.

Ed Rose
FSSA Executive Director

Criteria for induction to the FSSA Legends Hall of Fame

*****Deadline for 2016 inductees is June 30, 2016*****

The intent of the FSSA Legends Hall of Fame is to honor senior players who have excelled at the game; players who, when folks are sitting around talking about softball, their names will come up. We are looking for players who have been standouts for many years.

Initially, the first player selected from a state will be considered the Director of the Selection Committee for that state. He/she will approve the induction of any future players from that state, with approval from the FSSA President and Board.

Our requirements for admission to the FSSA Legends Hall of Fame are simple and straightforward:

- You must have been a senior softball player or affiliated with senior softball for at least 10 years.
- You must be at least 60 years old to be considered.
- You must be an active player still playing the game or connected to the game in some way.
- Others must recognize you for your achievements outside of your immediate sphere of influence.
- You must be nationally known in the major plus circuit, the top level of senior softball.
- You must already be in a sports related Hall of Fame.





2014 – 2015 FSSA Initiatives

Gather sport clothing, and equipment (over 4,000 items for disbursement to underprivileged youth in the Dominican Republic. Another trip is planned for 2015. ✎

Finance and support the release of the Extra Innings Documentary. DVD is out for sale to raise money for FSSA charity. ✎

Incorporate the Giving Feels Awesome charity into the FSSA as a branch for special charity work. ✎

Provide a full academic/athletic Grant in Aid including room and board for a young student from the Dominican Republic in Melbourne, FL (Bryan Pena). Thanks to Roger Tabor, Audie Hollis, Jack Aronson, Ed Rose, and Curtis Nave. ✎

Revise FSSA website to be more user-friendly with many thanks to IT Director, Rick Houston. ✎

Establish a permanent fund-raiser position for the FSSA. ✎

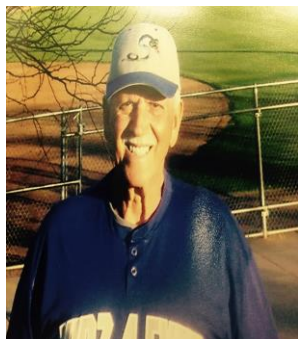


2015 – 2016 FSSA Initiatives

- Feeding the Dream Equipment drive for Dominican Republic – June 2016.
- Building a well for a village in DR to be identified in November 2015 and completed by February 2016. A fund drive will be initiated in October 2015
- Initiate a College Fund Drive for Bryan Pena for Fall 2016.

Scholarship Family Funds Established

- \$3,000 Tabor Family Scholarship Fund
- \$ TBD Hollis Family Scholarship Fund
- \$3,000 Rose Family Scholarship Fund
- \$ TBD Aronson Family Scholarship Fund
- \$ 500 Scott Rose Family Scholarship Fund



David Barnes

Nevada

David Barnes was born in Uniontown, PA in 1944 during World War II and was an outstanding young athlete at Uniontown High as he was inducted into the Uniontown High School Basketball Hall of Fame! The retired Montgomery County Maryland police officer has three sisters and two brothers. Dave graduated from the University of Maryland and served in the Air Force. He has been married to the lovely Carolyn for 52 years and has two wonderful sons and two grandchildren.

Dave has used his brains and brawn successfully as he is in the Las Vegas Softball Hall of Fame and the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame. Dave has played on over 60 World championship teams and been selected to more All American awards than he can remember. Known throughout the game as a Gentle Giant and great power hitter. In fact some say he is also one of the best Umpires in Las Vegas Senior softball. According to Ed Rose, "you know when Dave umpires your game he is going to call them as he sees them and that means quality umpiring".

Hank Cluess has played with Dave from his days on New York and says, "you can't find a better team mate than Dave, his skills and the way he conducts himself on the field, he is truly a Legend in Senior softball".



Legends Hall of Fame Inductees

2012

Chip Cregar
Don Clatterbough
Ron Danoski
Hank Cluess
Gary Tryhorn
Dave Reed
Roger Tabor
Bobby Davis
Ed Rose
Butch Hayes
John Divide

2014

Mike Dove
Jack Aronson
Danny Ballard
Winky Blackman
Bill Cameron
Bruce Fairchild
Audie Hollis
Steve Imlay
Billy Rice
Sam Sapienza
Conway Waddy
Ray Wimbrough

2013

Tom Dommel
Mike Gainer
Tom Hanratty
Larry Lopez
Pat McLellan
Gary Pro
Dave Sells
Tom Tudor
Andy Zitnay

2015

Fred Purvis
Dave Barnes
Terry Nafziger
Jack Lambert



Jack Lambert
Florida

Jack Lambert hails from the west coast of Florida. He has been playing softball for over 35 years and in his younger years he played with super power house Bell Corp team in the Major Open. Jack started his senior career with Al Estes out of Tampa, Florida. Jack lead Al Estes to several States Championships in the Florida Half Century and is one of a very few players ever elected to the Florida Half Century Hall of Fame.

While playing with AL Estes, Jack helped win 9 Team Championships and received over 8 All World Team awards and 2 MVP's. He was recruited to play with the powerhouse Hollis Appraisal/ Rose Team out of Florida where Jack helped win an additional 15 World Tournaments and was selected to 9 All World Teams.

Legend Ed Rose says, "Jack is a player that is capable of playing several key positions on the field from shortstop, outfield and pitcher. He is capable of starting on any team in the country in any of those positions. Jack is a coaches dream as he never complains, plays where he is needed and is exceptionally productive. He has helped our team in so many ways with his consistent defense and exceptional hitting.

We welcome Jack into the FSSA Legends Hall of Fame.



Terry Nafziger
California

Terry Nafziger was born in Normal, Illinois in 1940 and there is nothing normal about this exceptional athlete! Terry has one sister and has been married to his wife, Freida, for 57 years! The happy couple currently resides in Woodland, California where Terry plays for the SF Seals 75 major plus team and the Omen 70 major plus team.

The same consistence on the ball field translated to the work environment as Terry was an auto dealership service manager for 43 years. His wife accompanies him at every game and can attest to the 86 rings he has won since 1990 in the major plus division. Playing the best and excelling against the best means you are one of the best. Terry was previously inducted into the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame.

As a Legend of the game Terry views senior ball as a way of life and not just a game. His desire is to play as long as he can and to keep his family as close as possible. Being a home run hitter, who has always kept a high average, he looks forward to playing well into his 80s and still being able to produce at a top level! Truly a Legend of the Game!





Fred Purvis
Arizona

In Memoriam

Big Fred was born in Ottawa, Kansas in 1947 and spent his later years in Scottsdale, Arizona. He has two younger brothers and was in the U.S. Army and the Army Reserves. Fred was a rare combination of brains and brawn. He earned his B.S. degree in Education from Baker University where he lettered four years in football and baseball and was named all conference all four years and then NAIA All American his junior and senior years! He also found time to earn a Specialty Degree from the University of Kansas.

The big guy had an extensive employment history that varied from school teacher/coach to air traffic controller to crafting to data programmer. However, the thing he was the most proud of was his legacy including his beautiful wife Linda; two daughters, Amy and Stacy; 3 grandsons, 3 granddaughters and one great grandson. He adored his family and enjoyed coaching and watching them compete.



Fred was inducted in 2010 into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Baker University and was an avid power lifter. He played senior softball for 14 years and was a noted power hitter for such outstanding teams as Omen and GSF where he won numerous homerun, MVP and all tournament awards.

In his latter years senior softball was huge in Fred's life as he loved the competition and friendships he developed. Each tournament was like his first and a few butterflies were present until this talented bomber took his first swing!

Fred C. Purvis, Jr., truly a giant among men in the world of senior softball and without doubt, an absolute Legend!

The memory of a good person is a blessing.

