

Wilson Athletic Hall of Fame 1999 Inductees

Barbara (Batzel) Flamm – (Class of 1955) – Barbara was a four-sport athlete who played for both Sinking Spring HS and Wilson HS participating in field hockey, basketball, softball and volleyball winning eleven varsity letters along the way. She was also a member of the concert band and a cheerleader for football and basketball.

Barbara continued her education at Bloomsburg State where she played basketball and softball. From 1959 through 1993, she taught at Schuylkill Valley and Daniel Boone.

In 1998, Barbara was the winner of the Wilson Alumni Golf Tournament.

Drew Keiser – (Class of 1977) – Drew earned letters in football, wrestling and track, and had his greatest success as a heavyweight wrestler. He went to States in his final three seasons, winning Regionals as a junior and a senior and eventually earning a Bronze Medal at States his senior year. He was named All-County all three years as well and was the winner of the Owls Club Award.

Drew continued his wrestling at Lehigh University, winning the Eastern Championship in 1980 and wrestling in the NCAA Tournament.

Patricia Ori – (Class of 1957) – Pat was an eight-time letter winner in four sports, lettering twice each in field hockey, basketball, volleyball and softball. She also captained the hockey, basketball and softball teams. Pat also served as the Athletic Association Secretary and was named as Wilson's Outstanding Woman Athlete.

Pat would later earn a degree in Health and Physical Education from East Stroudsburg University. She played basketball there for two years and basketball for four.

She would later teach Health and Physical Education at Kutztown University for 27 years and served as the university's Director of Intramurals and Recreation, retiring in 1993.

Rich Romich – (Statistician/Teacher) – Rich taught in the Business Education Department at Wilson for more than 30 years retiring in 1998. He was legend for his detailed statistical reports and knowledge of Wilson athletic history. He also kept track of all Wilson championships over all of those years. Wilson teams benefitted from his detailed reports that were what one would expect from a major university or professional team.

Rich was the main statistician for football and basketball teams for decades and served on the *Reading Eagle-Times* committee that selected the top high school football team for the previous 50 years.

Rich passed away just days after making his final appearance at the Wilson Hall of Fame induction ceremony in 2012.

Norman Sensenig – (Class of 1947) – Norman was a five-sport athlete at Wilson, participating in football, baseball, soccer, basketball and track. He starred on Wilson’s first two football teams and is listed in the record books as having kicked the then-President’s first PAT in 1945. He was also an excellent baseball player at shortstop and left field and Vice-President and President of the Athletic Association.

After graduation, Norman played on many area baseball teams and eventually signed a contract with the Philadelphia Phillies organization.

Steve Smith – (Class of 1987) – Steve earned nine varsity letters at Wilson, three each in football, basketball and baseball.

Steve won many honors in football. He was An Adidas All-American defensive back, third team All-State, L-L Defensive Back of the Year in 1986 and was All-Berks. He was also name to the *Reading Eagle-Times* Decade Team of the 1980s.

Steve set school records for receptions, tackles and interceptions. In 1987, he was named the DeLuca Berks Athlete of the Year and received the John J. Gurski Award.

He helped lead the 29-2 1986-87 Bulldogs to the Berks League Basketball Championship and batted .400 and led the county RBIs as an All-Division first baseman.

He continued his education at Penn State, playing on the 1987 team.

John Spadafora – (Class of 1965) – John was a three-sport athlete earning letters in cross country, basketball and baseball. He was an All-Berks selection in center field in 1964 and 1965.

He started his junior and senior seasons on the basketball team and was a three-time letterman in cross country. Additionally, he compiled a fine academic record and was inducted into the National Honor Society.

The Spadafora Award, given annually to Wilson’s Outstanding Scholar-Athlete, is named in his memory.