

DON HELD

Athlete

Don played football, basketball, and baseball in high school. In football he was a two year starter and finished his senior year as a linebacker and quarterback. In basketball he was all conference his junior and senior years and was team MVP in 1961. He held the school scoring record from 1962-1990. He was all-conference in baseball--1961 and 1962. The team was conference champions in 62 and he was MVP. He was the recipient of the Slinger Athletic Scholarship in 1962.

He attended UW-Oshkosh and played baseball as a pitcher and outfielder. The team won the conference championship in 1963. As a freshman he was ranked 7th nationally in NAIA with an ERA of 0.76 and was captain his senior year.

During the next 20 years he played Rock River and State League Baseball. In 1971 he played with the Madison A's and won the state and national titles.

In 1994 he was inducted into the Rock River Hall of Fame and in 2000 was awarded the Rock Diamond Award.

He taught Physical Education in the Slinger Middle School from 1968-2001. He was a coach at both the Middle and High School. . He was also a WIAA official for over 50 years.

He retired in 2001 and now lives in Conover, WI. with his wife Sandy. They have three married children and eight grandchildren. They winter in Zephyrhills, Florida where he plays softball in two leagues plus tournaments. He set home run records in both leagues this past year.

Graduated 1962