

Meet the 2023 HOF Inductees

Dave Johnson – Booster

A native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Dave is a graduate of the US Naval Academy with a degree in mathematics. After a storied 30 + years of serving in the Navy, Dave retired in 2004. His personal awards included 3 Legion of Merits, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, 3 Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Commendation Medal, 4 Navy Commendation Medals, and Navy Achievement Medal. After retiring, Dave has served as an assistant coach for numerous teams on the Eastern Shore, including Parkside High School, Wicomico American Legion, Perdue Chicks, and currently the UMES Hawks. With his strong background in mathematics, Dave was responsible for keeping detailed statistics for each of those teams. His work included compiling overall stats for many of those teams, with some dating back over 20 years. Dave has also been a key figure for the Eastern Shore Baseball League for many years as he maintained the league's statistics and standings for nearly 20 years.

Randy Lee - Player

A native of Delaware, Randy was an outstanding left-handed pitcher for the Laurel High School Bulldogs from 1968 to 1970. Upon graduation, he was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles in the 15th round of the 1970 June Amateur Draft. Randy spent 2 seasons in the Orioles organization, playing at both Bluefield and Aberdeen. In those 2 years in professional baseball, he pitched 119 innings as both a starter and a reliever. He compiled a record of 5-8 with an ERA of 4.16. After baseball, Randy has served his community in many ways. He served as a Laurel town councilman for nearly 20 years, is a lifetime member of the Laurel Fire Department, and past president of the Laurel Alumni Association. He is also a member of the Laurel Redevelopment Corporation and the Laurel Historical Society.

John “Carlisle” Mumford - Player

John “Carlisle” Mumford was born in Snow Hill, MD in 1892. He played minor league baseball as a pitcher for the Newport News Shipbuilders and Petersburg Goobers in the Virginia League (1914-1915) and for the Martinsburg Champs and Gettysburg Ponies in the Blue Ridge League (1915-1917). In his minor league career, Mumford pitched a total of 163 innings and had a record of 6-14. At the end of his playing days, he became manager of the Gettysburg team. After his baseball career, he spent 43 years as a tour superintendent of the US Post Office in Washington. Mr. Mumford passed away on July 4, 1961.

Donnie Price – Booster

A native of Crisfield, MD, Donnie was the statistician for Peaky's of the Eastern Shore Baseball League from its inception in 1983 through 1995. He was also the statistician for Washington High School baseball from 2004 until his death in 2014. According to his brother-in-law Brian Laird, Donnie had a god given talent for "figures" and a love for sports. This fit perfectly when he married Peaky's team manager Clarence Laird's daughter Judy and became the team statistician. At the end of a game, a player would tell Donnie that he went 2-5 and wanted to know what is average now. Donnie would look at the scorebook from the last game and give the player his average right away. He was a big supporter of the Eastern Shore Baseball League, Little League, and high school sports. Donnie would later serve as a board member for the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation.

Brian Rush – Player

A native of Seaford, DE, Brian played high school baseball at Seaford High under head coach Tom Pegelow from 1988 to 1992. After high school, Brian went on to play collegiately at Washington College in Chestertown, MD under head coach Ed Athey. There, he was a two-time All-Conference Selection and won the Male Athlete of the Year. He was drafted by the New York Mets after his junior year but he decided to stay and play his senior season at Washington, graduating in 1996. Brian played in the Eastern Shore Baseball League from 1993 to 2005 with Tri-County, Perdue, Allen's, and the Atlantic Drillers. During his ESBLL career as a catcher, Brian had a career batting average of over .350, appeared in 5 NABF World Series, had the most put outs on the team each year, and his teams had winning percentages of .750 or better. According to fellow hall of famer Derek Yobst, Brian was the premier catcher of his era, displaying great defensive skills as well as having a great batting average. He was the vocal team leader that controlled the game and had a very high baseball IQ, Yobst recalls.

Ron Siers, Jr. – Coach

A native of Louisville, Ky., Ron joined the Salisbury University coaching staff in the fall of 1998 and is in his 25th season at the baseball program. He currently serves as associate head coach and defensive coordinator. He has served under three head coaches: Robb Disbennett (1999-2000), Doug Fleetwood (2011-14) and Troy Brohawn (2015-present). Siers has had a front-row seat to nearly 800 Sea Gull victories in that timespan. During Siers' quarter century on staff, the Sea Gulls have made every NCAA Tournament since 2000, hosted four NCAA regionals and one super regional, appeared in the NCAA Division III Baseball Championship seven times and won the first national championship in program history in 2021. At the conclusion of that title run, Siers was named the American Baseball Coaches' Association (ABCA) Assistant Coach of the Year. Fleetwood and Brohawn, Eastern Shore Baseball hall of famers in their own right, both regard Ron as the best "Teacher of Baseball" they have ever worked with. Along with his coaching pedigree, Siers has been a professor of organizational leadership at SU since 2014. He has also published 16 peer-reviewed articles and in 2020 received the annual SU Distinguished Faculty Award. Siers is a two-time graduate of Salisbury University, having earned his B.A. and

M.Ed. from SU in 1989 and 1995, respectively. He also holds a Ph.D. in organizational leadership from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.