



MINNESOTA SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME

NOMINATION FORM

2023



Nominee Timothy (Tim) Ray Erb Birth date 7-20-1960

Address 33581 Peace River Ranch Rd. City/State Detroit Lakes, MN Zip 56501

Softball Community where major accomplishments were achieved Detroit Lakes

Is that softball community's program currently affiliated with the MSF, the MN Softball Hall of Fame Administrator/Custodian? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Home Phone () Cell Phone (218) 841-1135

Email Address _____

Check the Nomination Category:

☐ Superior Performance

☒ Meritorious Service

☐ Pioneers of Yesterday

Check all that apply:

☒ Player/Pitcher ☐ Manager/Coach

☐ Promoter ☐ Administrator

☐ Umpire ☐ Sponsor

Check all that apply:

☒ Fastpitch

☐ Modified Pitch

☐ Slowpitch

Nominated by Kenneth R. Pearson Date of Nomination 5-31-2023
(if a relative, must have a seconding nomination by non-relative)

Address 32915 Oak St., Lot #19 City/State Detroit Lakes, MN Zip 56501

Home Phone () Cell Phone (218) 439-3056

Email Address krprap@lovetel.net

~~Co-~~ Seconding Nomination Name Stan Seaberg

- CONTINUED ON REVERSE/NEXT PAGE -

Nominee's Personal Stats Personal Stats were hardly ever kept in the North Country. Tim's skills, abilities, demeanor, and success was far greater than any personal statistics. Tim once pitched 5 games in a tournament, but it actually got to be 7 games because one of the games went 21 innings.

Nominee's Personal Accomplishments See attachment "Tim Erb's Accomplishments". It includes both team and Tim's accomplishments because he pitched every inning in each of those listings.

Nominee's Team Accomplishments In the late 60's the Lakes East Pitch League started a tradition by buying a big ol oak trophy and the team that won the league got a bronze plate with the year and team name on it and it was attached to the trophy. It was a traveling trophy and the team that won the league got to keep it for that year. The rule also was that any team that would win it 3 years in a row

- ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEET IF NECESSARY - (continued on Pg. 3)

Attach a one or two page narrative, **as you would want their bio read at the nominee's potential induction ceremony.** Provide pertinent accomplishments of nominee in city, district, state, regional or national competition. (See reverse side for sample bio). Also, attach newspaper clippings, letters of reference or other forms of documentation. **Include statistical information in the bio.**

Send to: Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame Committee • 118 12th Ave. N. • South St. Paul, MN 55075
(651) 451-3140

DEADLINE FOR SENDING THIS NOMINATION IS JUNE 1

Nominee's Personal Stats _____

Nominee's Personal Accomplishments _____

Nominee's Team Accomplishments would get to keep it. There were teams
that had won it 2 years in a row, but Tim's team won
it for the 3 year in a row in 1991 and got to keep it. What
a memory!

- ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEET IF NECESSARY -

Attach a one or two page narrative, **as you would want their bio read at the nominee's potential induction ceremony**. Provide pertinent accomplishments of nominee in city, district, state, regional or national competition. **(See reverse side for sample bio)**. Also, attach newspaper clippings, letters of reference or other forms of documentation. **Include statistical information in the bio.**

Send to: Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame Committee • 118 12th Ave. N. • South St. Paul, MN 55075
(651) 451-3140

DEADLINE FOR SENDING THIS NOMINATION IS JUNE 1

5-31-2023

(218)439-3056

Support of Softball Hall of Fame nomination for Timothy (Tim) Erb.

To: Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame Selection Committee.

Tim Started playing/pitching in 1974, in the Lakes fast-pitch league, as an 8th grader in Jr. High. He pitched for over 20 years all the way from Canada to Texas. He had three (3) main pitches: riser, drop, and knuckle ball change up, and threw them all with authority. He played on numerous All Star teams and was a favorite to be picked up by hopeful tournament teams.

Tim Played with different sponsors along the way: starting with 1st National Bank, Anderson Trucking, Kingdom Realty, and Bergseth Bros. Distributing (Coors Lite). He was fortunate to play with the same team members for the most of his softball career.

Tim was able to receive many personnel MVP awards for league and tournament play, but unfortunately I can't verify dates as stated by Stan Seaberg a team member and co-nominator. See the attached list of "Tim Erb's Accomplishments".

Tim finished his career pitching in the Fargo League and winning the class "C" division.

Based on our knowledge and experience with Tim and his accomplishments in pitching/playing the game of fast pitch softball, we feel he is worthy candidate to be nominated, selected and accepted into the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame, by this committee. We do firmly recommend Tim at this time, for this prestigious recognition.

Respectfully yours,



Kenneth R. Pearson

1992 inductee Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame



Stan Seaberg

Team member

Attachments:

Letters of recommendation, 2 sheets (One being this sheet)

2023 nomination forms, 3 sheets

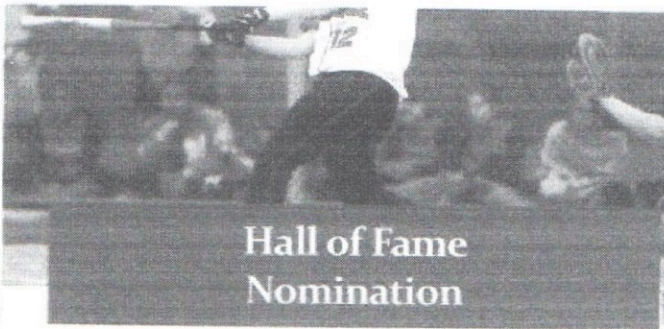
Accomplishments, 1 sheet

2 pictures

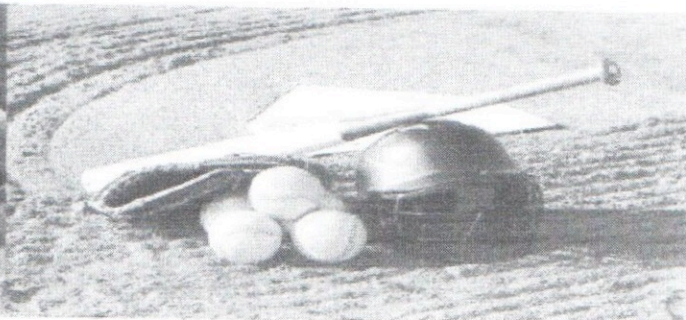
Tim Erb's Accomplishments

5-31-2023

- 1982 Lakes FP league - 1st place
- 1984 27th Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament (32 team) - Consolation runner up
- 1984 Dist. 8 - 3rd place - Class B
- 1985 28th Lakes FP invitational - Consolation runner up
- 1985 Dist. 8 - 3rd place - Class B
- 1986 60th Annual Fargo Red River tournament (Fargo, ND) - Consolation Champs
- 1988 31st Annual lakes FP invitational tournament - Hard luck (i.e. given to semi-final losers
In championship bracket)
- 1989 32nd Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament - Consolation Champs
- 1989 Lakes FP league - 1st place
- 1990 26th annual Tri River FP tournament (West Fargo, ND) - 1st place
- 1990 Lakes FP league - 1st place
- 1990 Men's Class B Dist. V-VII - Champions
- 1991 34th Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament - Consolation Champs
- 1991 Lakes FP league - 1st place
- 1993 36th Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament - Consolation Champs
- 1994 37th Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament - 2nd place
- 1994 Men's qualifying Nat'l. ASA Class 'C' tournament in Fargo - Won – Champions – Going to Texas
- 1994 Men's class 'C' ASA Nat'l. FP SB tournament Sept. 1-5, Midland TX, Tim pitched all the games they played.
- 1995 38th Annual Lakes FP invitational tournament - Hard luck (see 1988 above)



Hall of Fame Nomination



All

I wish to show my support for the nomination of Tim Erb to the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame. In 1980, I signed a teaching contract with a Detroit Lakes area school. I was the District 7 DUIC for fast pitch softball. That summer I umpired the Detroit Lakes Fast Pitch League working most of my games in Callaway. The DL league had many great pitchers, Ken Pearson, Kevin Olson, and Dave Ferguson to name a few. But the fastest pitcher and the one who's ball moved the most, was Tim Erb. As an umpire you had to focus and not call the pitch too soon, as it might move several inches in the last 10 feet. As an umpire, he was a nightmare to work, because of his speed and ball movement. Fortunately, he had a great catcher that rarely let the ball by.

If I missed a pitch or two, he would give you that "look" and get back on the rubber. He was one of the best.

Tim is someone that loves fast pitch softball and was a fierce competitor. He is well qualified to be placed in the HOF.

Charlie Johnson

2018 HOF member

Fast Pitch Umpire



[OFFICE ADDRESS]



[PHONE NUMBER]



[EMAIL]