

# MINNESOTA SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM



2025

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	■ Meritorious Service
	Pioneers of Yesterday
Check all that apply:	✓ Player
	☐ Promoter ☐ Administrator
	☐ Umpire ☐ Sponsor
Check all that apply:	Fastpitch
	Modified Pitch
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Nominee's Personal Stats	
Pitched fastpitch softball and modified for 53 years. Pitched over 1000 games in career including local, state, regional and national tournaments.	
Prior to the DP rule being implemented, George hit .300 while pitching and playing in the outfield.	
Nominee's Personal Accomplishments	
1988 ASA Men's Over-40 All-American Team 1989 ASA Men's Over-40 Pitched Perfect Game	
Played in at least 10 state tournaments - Minneapolis had direct bid to Northern Regional ** tournament.	
Played in 20 Northern Regional Tournaments	
Nominee's Team Accomplishments	
1984 ASA Class A National, Fargo, ND	
1986 ASA Class A National, Minot, ND	
1987 ASA Masters Over-40, Fargo, ND Runner-Up <del>1988 ASA Masters Over-40, St. Joseph, MO Runner-Up</del>	
1989 ASA Masters Over-40, St. 30seph, WO Runner-Op  1989 ASA Masters Over-40, Bismarck, ND 5th Place	
1991 ASA Masters Over-40, Springfield, MO 7th Place	
1992 ASA Class B National, Minot, ND	
1994 ASA Class C National, Midland, TX	
See attached sheet for additional ASA and NAFA tournaments	

# - 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

#### GEORGE MOHAR - MINNESOTA

## NOMINATED BY MARK MOHAR AND LEON DONAGHUE

From the 1970s into the 2000s, George Mohar was a dominant pitcher in the state of Minnesota, representing the Minneapolis Classic fastpitch league in 20 regional tournaments and 15 ASA National tournaments. Among the many highlights of his 53-year softball career was a perfect game in the 1989 Men's Masters Over-40 National tournament, back-to-back national runner up finishes in the Masters Over-40 tournament and being named to the Over-40 All-American team in 1988.

George played for several teams in his career, mainly Minneapolis ERS/Metro for 23 years, a team with 7 members of the Minnesota Hall of Fame. He also played for New York State Champions & Eastern Regional Participant Tino's/Syracuse Piping, Harold & Duane's (Hamel), Budweiser and teams in Syracuse, NY, Hamel, Hastings, and Bloomington.

George pitched on teams that won the Minneapolis Classic league 15 straight years from 1984-1998. Minneapolis teams could get a direct bid to the Northern Regional which led to qualifications in four classified national tournaments – 2 Class 'A', 1 Class 'B' and 2 Class 'C'.

In the first round of the 1989 Men's Masters Over-40 national tournament in Bismarck, ND, George pitched a 4-0 perfect game over Rols, Nebraska with 14 strikeouts. They would end up finishing in  $5^{th}$  place in that tournament after losing a 1-0 game to Melrose, WI – the eventual champion. In the first 5 years of that tournament's existence, George and ERS finished in the top 10 four times.

Throughout his career playing in national qualifier and invitational tournaments it was "Mo on Sunday." He would pitch several games in a row with staff-mate, Hall of Fame member David Bakke playing into the championship game or coming back in the loser's bracket, eating up innings on long Sunday afternoons starting in the morning and sometimes playing late in the evening.

On one particularly hot Sunday in St. Paul in the 1994 Class 'C' Northern Region, George pitched 3 of 5 games coming back through the loser's bracket to win a berth in the Class 'C' National in Midland, TX.

In the late 2000s and 2010s, he played with many of the Minneapolis Metros in the Hamel/Loretto Modified league winning the league championship 12 times over and teams playing in the NAFA 50+, 55+ and 60+. In 2008, his team won the NAFA Over-55 tournament championship.

Since he stopped playing competitively, George has volunteered his time throwing batting practice for St. Olaf College and Bethel University. He now attends Bethel University games and practices and gives tips to the current players from his experience during his playing days.

It is our honor to welcome George Mohar to the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame.

## George Mohar Fast-Pitch Softball Career

- 1966-1969: Virginia City Men's League, University of Minnesota Intramural Fastpitch Softball
- **1970**: Syracuse NY 4 leagues (General Electric, City of Syracuse, Valley, and Onondaga County) NY State Tournament Champion and Eastern Regional tournament 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish with Tino's team
- **1971**: Syracuse N 3 leagues (General Electric, City of Syracuse, and Onondaga County) NY State Tournament Champion and Eastern Regional tournament 4<sup>th</sup> place finish with Syracuse Piping team
- 1972: University of Minnesota Intramural League Champion
- 1973: Hastings MN Loesch's team in Friendly Valley League
- **1974**: St. Paul Industrial League champions Jack Raymond Men's Wear/Pudges, Bloomington Men's league Shantytown team MVP
- **1975**: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Harold & Duane's Hamel, regional tournament participant, Hamel league champions
- 1976: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Harold & Duane's Hamel, regional tournament participant, Detroit Lakes Invitational Tournament champions, Hamel league champions, Invitational Tournament wins: 1
- 1977: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Harold & Duane's Hamel, regional tournament participant, Hamel league champions, Hamel Invitational Tournament wins: 1
- 1978: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with The Hill Hamel, state tournament participant with top 10 finish Coon Rapids, Invitational Tournament wins: 1
- 1979: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Happy's Hamel
- 1980: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Budweiser, regional participant  $2^{nd}$  place finish Fargo
- 1981: Hamel League champions and Minneapolis Classic league with Budweiser, regional participant with  $2^{nd}$  place finish Sioux Falls
- 1982: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Budweiser, state tournament participant Hastings
- 1983: Hamel League and Minneapolis Classic league with Budweiser
- 1984: Hamel League 1st Place and Minneapolis Classic league 1st place with ERS, Regional tournament champion Owatonna, National Tournament 10th place finish Fargo ND
- **1985**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league with ERS 1<sup>st</sup> place, regional participant 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish Sioux Falls
- 1986: St. Paul Thursday league champion and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS, regional champion Bismarck and National Tournament participant Minot ND, invitational tournament championships: Roseville, Hutchinson, Stillwater
- **1987**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS, A regional St. Paul, first ever Over-40 National Tournament 2<sup>nd</sup> place Fargo ND, Invitational Tournament wins: Roseville, Star Prairie
- **1988**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS, A regional 3<sup>rd</sup> place split 2 games with eventual national champion Duluth, Over-40 National Tournament 2<sup>nd</sup> place St. Joseph MO,
- 1989: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS, Over-40 National Tournament 5th place. Pitched Perfect Game vs. Rol, Nebraska 4-0, lost to eventual national Champion Melrose WI 1-0 Bismark ND, regional tournament participant Minot

**1990**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS, Over-40 National Tournament participant Omaha NB, AA regional tournament participant

1991: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS/Minneapolis Masters, Over-40 National Tournament participant Springfield MO, regional tournament participant Mankato, Invitational Tournament Champions: 1 St. Joseph MN

**1992**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS/Minneapolis Masters, national B Tournament participant Minot ND, B regional tournament Sioux Falls win

**1993**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS/Minneapolis Masters, Over-40 National Tournament participant Las Vegas NV, regional tournament participant Minot ND

**1994**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion with ERS/Minneapolis Masters, C National Tournament participant Midland TX, C regional tournament St. Paul Champions

1995: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league with ERS/Minneapolis Masters, First-ever Over-45 National Tournament participant Springfield MO, Over-40 National Tournament participant Bloomington MN, regional tournament Mankato participants

**1996**: St. Paul Thursday league and Minneapolis Classic league champion, Over-40 National Tournament participant Rockford IL, Over-45 National Tournament Clearwater FL

1997: St. Paul and Minneapolis Classic league champion, Invitational Over-50 National Tournament Tulsa OK

1998: Minneapolis Classic league champion and St. Paul league, Over-45 National Tournament Rockford IL

1999: Minneapolis Classic league champion and Bloomington league champion, First Over-50 National Tournament Gadsden AL, regional tournament participant Waterton SD

 $\textbf{2000}: St. \ Paul \ and \ Bloomington \ leagues, \ C\ National\ Tournament\ participant\ Aurora\ CO,\ Over-40\ State\ tournament\ 2^{nd}\ place\ Redwood\ Falls\ MN$ 

2001: St. Paul and Bloomington (Champion) leagues

2002-2004: Injured with Hip issues. Did not play.

2005: Total Hip Replacement

2006: Bloomington League, C State Tournament participant Austin MN

**2006-2019**: Hamel Modified League moved to Loretto Modified League: Champions 12 years, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 2 years, Bloomington league 2006-2008 with Mpls. Metros, played (3 - 4 per season) fast pitch double headers in Hollywood, MN and Farmington, MN during 4-5 seasons, State Tournament participant 2006 (Mpls, Metros), 2007 (Versich), and 2010 (Anytime Fitness) Mankato

2011-2014: Batting practice pitcher St. Olaf College

2015-2020: Batting practice pitcher Bethel University.

2006-2016: NAFA National World Series (Over-45, Over-50 and Over-55), Over-55 National Championship 2008

Pitching Stats: Games pitched: FP over 1000, games won over 700 better than 70% winning percentage MP pitched more than 150 with at least 125 wins >80%

Hitting Stats: Fast pitch average was over .300 1966-1986 (or when the DH was introduced) Modified pitch was about .350