

David R. Parker.
Inducted June 27, 2008

Athlete - Class of 1955

David Parker participated in 3 varsity seasons of soccer, and captained the squad his senior year. He also participated in 3 varsity seasons of basketball, 2 varsity seasons of volleyball, 4 varsity seasons of baseball and 4 of track and field. He was a key player in the success and achievements of the athletic programs in 1953, 1954, and 1955. He was an all around athlete with speed and quickness.

As a soccer player he led the team in scoring during his senior soccer season, scoring 6 goals in a single game. Dave established records for goals in a game (6), goals in a season (19) and career goals (49). His total career goals of 49 still ranks 5th on the all time scoring list as of his induction date. Dave was part of Coach Gerald McDonald's 1954-55 clean sweep of the Cortland County League where they won championships in soccer, basketball, volleyball, baseball and track and field. The McDonaldmen went on to win Section IV Titles in basketball and track and runner-up honors in Soccer. In the Section IV final game in which the Orange and Black lost to Class A Binghamton Central, Dave scored 17 points. Dave's speed, quickness, and ability to play excellent defense led to many steals and fast breaks which provided a large portion of his 764 career points. In baseball he was an outstanding hitter and covered a tremendous amount of ground in center field. He ran the 220 yard dash, participated on the 440 relay and the long jump.

Dave served two years in the US Army, retired from Suit-Kote after 33 years of service and enjoys being an active spectator of Marathon Athletics. Dave currently golfs in his retirement.