## Howard "Chip" Stewart Inducted June 26' 2009

## Athlete – Class of 1979

Chip Stewart was a lightning quick and fierce team player who participated for two varsity seasons of basketball and three varsity seasons each of soccer and baseball. He served as captain of all three teams in his senior year. His soccer teams were Section IV Champions in 1976 and IAC Champions in 1977.

At the time of his graduation Chip left Marathon ranked as the 12<sup>th</sup> all-time soccer goal scorer and 6<sup>th</sup> in career assists. In basketball he averaged 9 assists per game with school records of 14 for a single game and 154 for a career total. In his senior year, he lead the team in steals and consecutive made free throws hitting 22 straight, the 2<sup>nd</sup> best all-time.

Chip received numerous individual honors during his Marathon career. He achieved First Team All-Star status in both soccer and baseball and Honorable Mention in Basketball. He was named Marathon Athlete of the Year and received the Ron Smith Memorial Award in 1979.

After leaving Marathon, Chip earned associate, bachelor, and master degrees while continuing to play soccer. In two seasons as a starter at Broome Community College he was name MVP and All-Regional honors, and in one season at Elon College he was a starter playing against such powerhouses as Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest. Currently Chip is a prominent teacher and coach of the Marathon Olympians. Throughout his playing and coaching careers Chip has been considered to be perfect example of a team player, always putting the team and the school first.