

Iowa ASA Softball Hall of Fame

Resume for John Muench

Family: John Muench, 3403 Glynwater Trail NW, Prior Lake, MN 55372-1760 (Home) 952-447-6186 (Cell) 612-310-5439 (Email) johnmuench@gmail.com
Married Stephanie in 1969, have two sons, Dr. Clint and Dr. Carter and they married Dr. Michelle and Dr. Carrie, and we have six grand children.

High school: Graduated 1961, Grand Community, Boxholm, IA, played baseball and basketball.

College: Graduated 1965, Business Degree, Buena Vista College, Storm Lake, IA, played baseball and basketball.

Employment: Collins Radio/Rockwell, then SELTEC, then Turner/TELEX, then Cargill, then NOREX, where I retired as CEO in 2010 after 27 years.

Baseball years:

1962-64; Boone Falcons sponsored by Herb Moffitt Ford.

Military; 1965, enlisted US Army, Iowa Air National Guard, Boone, IA.

Softball years:

1961-65; Boxholm Swedes and Fort Dodge Hormel, District, State Tournaments.

1966-68; Welty Way, Major Open, District, State, Regional Tournaments.

1969; Larry Lange Ford, Cedar Falls, District, State, & Regional Tournaments.

1970-73; Welty Way, Major Open, District, State, Regional, National, World Tournaments, 1971 National Championship in Springfield, MO, was on the All-Tournament Team, Silver Metal in 1972 Third World Men's Softball Championship in Manila, Philippines, was on the All-World Team.

1974; Gohmann Realty, Major Open, District, State Tournaments.

1975-78; Collins Radio, Major Open, District, State, 1976 State Championship, Regional Tournaments, then relocated to MN.

1979-82; Mettler's Bar and Happy Chef, Mankato, MN, District, State, Regional, National Tournaments. Retired from "the game"!

1990: Inducted into Cedar Rapids, Iowa Softball Hall of Fame.

My years after softball: 1983-93; Youth coach with PLAY (Prior Lake Athletics for Youth) programs in baseball, basketball, and football. Active with yearly trips between Boone, IA and Prior Lake, MN Babe Ruth Teams. I love to hunt, fish, and spend time in Florida and on our Iowa farm, plus lots of valuable time with family.

My comments: Playing fast pitch softball with and against the best and the most talented in the country has rewarded me with some of the most memorable and fun years of my life. I am humbled and would be honored to be inducted into the Iowa Softball Hall of Fame. It would be special beyond belief for me.

Recently, I looked at the list of members in the Softball Hall of Fame, and I smiled with pride that I was able to take the field and compete during the "glory years" of fast pitch softball in the State of Iowa.

I want to "Give Thanks" to all of the generous sponsors, excellent managers, great players, "ok" umpires, super fans, and the many beautiful families that my family and I were so fortunate to have known and loved over my playing years. What a blessing! It's been the best...and then some!

Thanks to Mo Kelly for remembering me! Also, Thanks Tom, for this opportunity!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

God Bless,
John Muench

