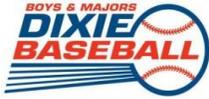


# Dixie Boys Baseball Hall of Fame



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The Board of Directors of Dixie Boys Baseball voted in September 2011 to create a Hall of Fame to honor those that have served the organization in an exemplary manner. Dixie Boys Baseball is pleased to announce the latest Hall of Fame inductees representing the Class of 2013.

## Class of 2013

- ★ Art Albert....Hattiesburg, Mississippi - Art served for many years as a Mississippi National Board member and later as the Assistant State Director for Mississippi Dixie Majors Baseball. His long serving tenure began in 1967 and continued through the 2013 season.
- ★ Harmon Baldwin....Darlington, South Carolina - Harmon served as South Carolina Dixie Boys State Director. He chaired the rules committee for many years. As Parks & Rec. Director for Darlington, Mr. Baldwin was instrumental in bringing many communities into the organization.
- ★ Richard Kohn....Columbia, South Carolina – Richard served South Carolina as the Dixie Boys State Director. Richard was later elected as Dixie Boys Deputy Commissioner and ably served for 15 years. Mr. Kohn was most recently honored as a Life Member of Dixie Boys Baseball.
- ★ Tom Nash....Alexandria, Louisiana – Tom provided dedicated volunteer service to the State of Louisiana. In 1995, Mr. Nash was elected as Secretary/Treasurer of the national organization. He held the position of Chief Financial Officer until his well-deserved retirement in 2011.
- ★ Dick Primeaux....Pineville, Louisiana - Dick served from 1984 until 2007 as Louisiana Dixie Boys Baseball State Director. Mr. Primeaux was instrumental in the planning of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration held in Alexandria, La. Dick remains very active in the organization.
- ★ Nick Senter....Lookout Mountain, Tennessee – Nick served as the first Executive Director of Dixie Inc. a service organization formed to benefit all of Dixie. In his valuable role, he promoted youth baseball and was responsible for much of the exposure garnered at the national level.
- ★ Jim Thornton....Cumming, Georgia - Jim served in various capacities during his 35 years of involvement. He held the position of Georgia Dixie Boys State Director until his death in 1998. The Dixie Boys World Series Sportsmanship Award is named in his honor.
- ★ Dan Touchet....Pineville, Louisiana - Dan served as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of the Dixie Boys organization and was the guiding force behind the creation of the Junior Dixie Boys division. Mr. Touchet is currently involved with the planning for a 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary event slated for 2016.
- ★ LV Walters....Laurel, Mississippi - LV served for many years as a National Board member and later as the State Director for Mississippi Dixie Boys Baseball. His outstanding contributions to the program are numerous. The Dixie Boys field in Laurel, Mississippi is named in his honor.
- ★ Kenny Wilkinson....North Charleston, SC - Kenny served as the Dixie National team manager winning the 2000 Tournament of Stars. His 42 years of involvement includes: coach, league president & avid supporter. North Charleston has won three World Series under his leadership.

The Board in 2011 approved an individual deserving of immediate recognition as a Hall of Fame Member. As such the Class of 2011 included only one member: W.E. "Bubba" Brasher. Mr. Brasher, Founder of Dixie Boys Baseball was recognized at a special ceremony held on November 10, 2011 in Alexandria, Louisiana. Dixie Boys Baseball was incorporated in 1957 by members of the Alexandria Youth Baseball program. It was the desire of Mr. Brasher and twenty- one others to create a baseball program for youth age 13 and above.

The Hall of Fame Task Force in concurrence with the Dixie Boys Baseball Board of Directors also named the Class of 2012. This class is comprised of those that had achieved the status of "Life Members" within the Dixie Boys Baseball Inc. organization. Fourteen (14) individuals were included as Class of 2012 Hall of Fame inductees. The inclusion of each 2012 member to the Hall of Fame is based on their many outstanding contributions and dedicated volunteer service to the organization. A perpetual plaque recognizing their achievement was created.

J. Sandy Jones, Commissioner/CEO commented, "I want to commend the Board of Directors for their support of the Hall of Fame and the related task force. Dixie Boys Baseball is very blessed to have outstanding leadership found in our local leagues, eleven state organizations, umpire's program, and within the Executive Board. Most of the real unsung heroes of this program never receive the recognition that they deserve. With a solid foundation dating back to 1957, we have truly benefited from the many noteworthy contributions made on behalf of the program. We are indebted to those that have given so much in service to our youth."

The Commissioner further stated, "We are so pleased to formally announce our Class of 2013. The ten members of the Class of 2013 have made their lasting imprint on our Dixie Boys Baseball program. I truly count it as an honor and a privilege to have been in attendance for the personal recognition of most of the 2013 class members. The time spent together brought back many wonderful memories and an opportunity for me on behalf of the entire Dixie Boys Baseball organization to say, thank you."

More information related to the Hall of Fame will be made available during the 2014 season.