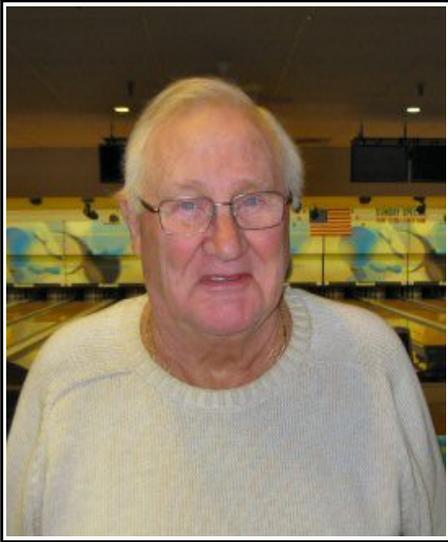


"Meritorious Service"



Jim Miller, the oldest of three children, was born in Annapolis, Maryland to Oliver Ross and Adele Miller. Jim graduated from Annapolis High School with several athletic achievements including High School All-American in football, and All County and All-State honors in lacrosse. Upon graduation from high school, Jim joined the Air Force and served four years in Air Force Intelligence. After the Air Force, Jim attended the University of Maryland and played semi-pro football. Jim worked for approximately five years in his father's cleaning business. In 1959 and 1960, he was invited to tryout for the Baltimore Colts Football team.

Unfortunately a knee injury ended those dreams. Jim moved to Delaware in 1962, and worked at General Electric through 1966.

In May of 1963 Jim married Judy and raised two children, Ross and Debbie. He is also the proud Pop-Pop of Lindsey and J.R. and by extended family grandfather to Lauren, Nick, Allison, Zack, and Emily.

Jim's involvement in the community began in 1970. He coached Recreation Council Baseball, Football, Basketball, and Lacrosse through 1978, sending several athletes on to All-American status in College. He also continued playing lacrosse and in 1970 and 1971, made the South Club All-Star Team. Jim established several "new" Recreation Council programs throughout Baltimore and Harford Counties which are still in existence. He continued coaching lacrosse, summer leagues and Club lacrosse through 1997, was awarded a place in the Lacrosse Hall of Fame for winning a National Championship in 1991. Also in 1991, Jim was selected Coach of the Year in the Central Atlantic Lacrosse League.

Jim's bowling career began in 1966, bowling in leagues at Penn Center Lanes in Philadelphia and Bowl-A-Rama in Wilmington. He obtained his PBA card in 1970 and held it through 1974. In 1974, Jim left the bowling business, moved back to Maryland, and became self-employed through 1979. He then returned to the bowling business, and

assisted in the design and construction of Crofton Bowling Center in 1978.

Jim was the General Manager of Crofton Bowling Center from 1978 to 1982. While at Crofton, he established the largest men's league in the state at the time, which carried a \$30,000 prize fund. He also participated in several local, regional, and national tournaments. Jim took another hiatus from bowling from 1982 through 1994, working as Office Manager for a construction company.

In 1995, Jim became General Manager of Forest Hill Lanes. His accomplishments at FHL are many and include: the promotion of youth league bowling (with participation of 500+ children at its highest level), the hosting of many youth and adult tournaments (including local, state, regional, and the hosting of an annual PBA Regional Tournament which has seen the likes of Tim Criss, Walter Ray Williams, Parker Bohn, and Patrick Allen participating. Jim has also overseen 25+ leagues at Forest Hill Lanes for over 15 years, and was instrumental in the development and the maintaining of the Harford County High School League, which, in its 14th season, has averaged 36 teams per year. College scholarships provided by Forest Hill Lanes are presented to the league's top three teams each year.

One of Jim's favorite endeavors through the years has been to host tournaments and bowling outings for both adults and kids with special needs. He has worked over the years with ARC, The Harford Center and the Harford County school system's Allied bowling tournament and the CBI Program. Jim has been a genius in using those unclaimed youth league trophies for this purpose. He has new plates made for the specific occasion and the special needs bowlers are so excited to receive those trophies.

For his many years of service and dedication to the Cecil-Harford Youth and Adult Bowlers, the Cecil-Harford USBC Bowling Association is proud to induct James O. Miller into their Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service.