2013 HALL-of-HONOR INDUCTEE

FRIEND of BASKETBALL

Jacklyn Sharpe - Birmingham Groves HS

Jackie has kept the scoreboard or the statistics for over 2,000 basketball games in the last 40+ years. She has volunteered for varsity, JV, and freshman games at five different high schools over the years including 19 years at Birmingham Groves and 12 years at Royal Oak. She has been a compliment to her husband Gary as he has coached basketball and she has kept the stats for his teams. Not many wives do this for their husbands, and certainly not for 46 years!



Jackie broke the rules when she first started keeping the books. The rules said that only an "adult male" could keep the stats. But even at the age of nineteen she did such a super and accurate job, that no one ever said anything!

Not only does she keep score and stats, she also has used her computer skills to help devise in-depth analysis of individual player and team statistics and has prepared several team programs for use on game nights. During the off-season she has helped with camera work and more statistics.

Sharpe has a bachelor's degree in music education with a specialty in vocal music. She has been invited to sing the National Anthem at many ball games. She has been the choir director at her church for the past 20 years and serves as a board member of the Tuesday Musicalle, an organization which helps raise scholarship money for high school and college music students.

Gary Sharpe is Jackie's husband of 44 years. Together they have two sons, Jim and Bob, and 3 grandsons.