

### Mr. Glenn Normore

Inducted into the NLBA Hall of Fame in 2009 as an “Athlete / Builder”



Known as one of the best long range shooters in our province during the 1970-80's his defensive capability was also feared by his opponents. Glenn Normore started organized basketball at the age of 4 and played junior high ball at Dawson before moving on to star at Booth Memorial High School in St. John's. Upon completion of his high school career Glenn decided to play with Acadia in the AUS League. Little did Normore know he would be playing with a long time teammate and friend in Glenn Taylor. Taylor was completing his final year at Acadia... at the time.... and was captain of the team.

After several knee operations Glenn returned home to recover and later played for Memorial University in the Sr. Men's league. At this time he also represented the province twice at national championships assisting the province with our best ever finishes at nationals in any age category.

After graduating MUN he rejoined his Acadia teammate, Glenn Taylor and competed in the Sr. Men's league until 1996. Normore managed to win the City Championship 10 times during his career and almost won an equal amount of Provincial championships. While we all knew Glenn as soft spoken educator off the court he was as fierce a competitor... on the court.... that this province has ever produced.

Glenn started his coaching career when he was a grade 9 student in 1971. He coached faithfully at several schools including, St. Pius X, Holy Trinity, Bishop Abraham, IJ Samson, Mount Pearl and Holy Cross. He also coached MUN at various times in the late 70's and 80's. Provincially he coached several teams in the 1980's and led the province to victory at the Eastern Canadians Championships in 1995 and 2010. He also went on to coach the Men's Canada Games Program in 1997. He coached the 2010 Midget Girls that competed in National in Ontario. Glenn was always there to assist with the programming operated by the NLBA. He filled in where needed on several occasions in the 1980-90's because that was the type of passion he had for the game.

During his exciting and high profile playing and coaching careers Glenn was quietly playing a key role in the development of the sport at the administrative level. He served as president of the St. John's Men's at the ripe old age of 22. Over his career he also served two terms as President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Association.

In the mid 90's he joined the board of Canada Basketball and later served as a member of the international board FIBA for 10 years.

Glenn is also a Level III Master Course Conductor under the NCCP and has conducted coaching clinics throughout the province during his career. His involvement in the sport allowed him the opportunity to travel the world and meet some pretty impressive individuals..... including Steve Nash.

Glenn's enthusiastic style of play, philosophy as a coach, work ethic as an administrator all contributed to the overall development of the sport in this province. His athletic accomplishments at the local and national stage are special. His volunteer contribution has touched more people in this province than we can imagine and he has earned the respect and a special place in the basketball community.

### **Career Facts:**

#### **Athlete:**

- 1974 Named Booth Memorials Athlete of the year
- 1974-76 Played with Acadia in the AUS placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in CIS in 1975
- 1977-79 Competed with MUN in St. John's Men's league
- 1978 Played with NL Team in Junior Nationals and won silver; losing in the final to ON by 1 point. He was named MVP, Top scorer and was selected to the all star team
- 1979 NL team returned to the Nationals where we placed 4<sup>th</sup> and Glenn was named the top defensive player and the top scorer for the event.
- 1980-95 Won 6 straight titles in the St. John's Men's D1 league. One with MUN and 5 with Molson. He went on to win another 4 championships prior to 1995. During this time Glenn was also a member of several provincial championships with Molson and later Nova Physio. He was named MVP, top scorer and all-star in nearly every league and tournament he competed in. The individual accolades he acquired in the provincial championships and the St. John's City league are too numerous to mention.

#### **Coaching:**

- 1971-2010 Coached 26 years at the junior high school level and continues to coach today at IJ Samson where his daughters are attending school.
- 1976 Assistant coach at Memorial with Glenn Taylor and the Men's Program
- 1987-89 Head Coach of the Memorials Women's Program in the AUS
- 1995 Head Coach of Provincial team that won the U15 Eastern Canadian Championships. (He played all 20 players in the tournament)
- 1996 Head Coach of the Men's Provincial Juvenile Team
- 1997 Head Coach of the Men's Canada Games Program

- 1976-2010 Level III Master Course Conductor and has recently acquired certification under the NCCP.... developed by Canada Basketball. He hopes to continue to educate the coaches around the province in the sport.
- 2010 Head Coach of the Eastern Canadians U13 Girls' team
- 2010 Head Coach of the 2010 Midget Girls Program

**Administrative:**

- 1980-1993 Served as president and various other roles on the St. John's Men's League executive.
- 1984-1996 Served two terms as president of the NLBA and various other roles for 12 years.
- 1996-2000 Served on the board of Canada Basketball as director
- 1996-2006 Served as Canada Basketballs representative with FIBA-the International governing body for the sport of Basketball