

ERNEST WAYNE MINECK: Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Born August 11, 1917

We, the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association would like the Iowa State Bowling Association Hall of Fame Committee to consider Ernest Wayne Mineck to be inducted (posthumous) into the Iowa State Bowling Hall of Fame.

Ernest Wayne Mineck was born on August 11, 1917. Ernie took over the position of Association Secretary for the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association in 1952 from State Hall of Famer Frank Stanek. Ernie was only the second Secretary in the Association history up until that time.

During his tenure, the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association enjoyed massive growth in membership, jumping from 1,000 bowlers to nearly 10,000 bowlers. Ernie met this added responsibility with dedication. He was the Director of 25 Cedar Rapids Association Tournaments.

For the 1952 ABC Nationals in Des Moines, he organized four complete squads of booster teams. This helped Cedar Rapids rank second in the nation in attendance.

Ernie was elected to the Iowa State Bowling Association Board of Directors in 1972, and served as President during the 1978-79 season. The Iowa State board knew him as Ernie and we, the Cedar Rapids Bowlers, called him Wayne.

Ernie devoted his life to bowling. He was a wealth of information and gave his time and talent unselfishly. He was twice presented the CRBA Frank J. Stanek Award for service and dedication. Ernie was elected to the Cedar Rapids Bowling Hall of Fame in 1979.

It was his vision and determination during the time he was secretary that helped build the sturdy foundation that the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association has today.

Ernie passed away in 1997. The Cedar Rapids Bowling Association greatly appreciates the work Ernie did for us. We hope the Iowa State Hall of Fame Committee will honor Cedar Rapids by inducting Ernest Wayne Mineck into the Iowa State Bowling Hall of Fame at this time. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association.

Inducted in 2001 in the Posthumous Category

