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Attention: Iowa State Hall of Fame Committee

Subject: Nomination for Iowa State U.S.B.C. Hall of Fame - Posthumous Category

The Greater Cedar Valley USBC Bowling Association endorses the nomination of Greg Everett for Iowa State Hall of Fame consideration.

- Greg Everett
- Birth date: January 17, 1940
- Deceased: October 3, 2008
- Member of Waterloo/Greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association: 38 years

When one searches for the desired characteristics of a candidate for the Iowa State Hall of Fame consideration, it is expected that superior bowling ability or exceptional service to the association be at the top of the list.

Greg Everett's career has combined both.

Greg Everett's career started in the early days of bowling in Waterloo when the local economy was driven by manufacturing. He started bowling in 1961 at Maple Lanes in Waterloo on 2<sup>nd</sup>. Shift in the Waterloo Valve Spring Compressor league. In those days it was not uncommon for companies to have their own leagues and offer the employees a chance to socialize outside of work. Greg had never bowled before and it was literally the first time that he had thrown a bowling ball. Greg bowled the last half of the season and finished with a 139 average. He bowled one more season, improving his average to 160 before making the decision that he needed a formal; education to improve his job opportunities.

After graduation from college and getting settled in his job, Greg resumed bowling again in 1967. After 3 years of competing one night a week, Greg had increased his average to 189. He began getting serious about the sport in 1970 when asked to sub in the prestigious Classic League at Tavern on the Green Lanes located at the historic Electric Park. While subbing in the Classic, Greg met John Kehoe Sr. who was the proprietor at the time. John was convinced that Greg has a solid game and if he worked on it could potentially turn professional.

Since that conversation, Greg remained true to the Classic League and its competition for over 35 years. In a house that was known as demanding and low scoring, Greg contributed with solid averages ranging from 189 to a high 202. During this period, Greg's team was strong and included State Hall of Famer Adrian Erickson and could be counted on to make a run for the league title on a yearly basis. In 1974, Greg was elected President of the Classic League. It was a position that he held for over 33 years.

For the first 12 years of bowling, Greg was very serious and worked diligently to improve the finer points of his game.

From 1967–1991. Greg Everett competed in all of the Waterloo & Cedar Falls top notch competitive leagues. In an era that was prior to today's "hot scoring shoot outs", Greg consistently averaged in the mid-190's when Waterloo traditionally produced only about five 200 average in a year.

During that time frame he was very solid and consistent across a wide variety of conditions in his leagues.

#### League Highlights:

1967-1971 3-Elk's American League championships  
Average: 193  
League President: 2 years

1972-1974 2-Fleetwood League championship  
Average: 191, 193

1972-1985 4-Maple Masters League championships  
Average: 191-201

1973-1977 Cadillac All Star League champions – 1975  
Average: 192

1973-1975 Valley Park Masters  
Average: 195

1971-2007 4-Tavern Lanes & Cadillac Lanes Classic League championships  
Average: 190-202

From 1970 – 1990 Greg participated in numerous local, state regional and national tournaments.

**Local:**

- 1970-1990 Waterloo City Tournament participant for 20 years
- 1973 Budweiser Beer Tournament Singles Champion: 753 with a 300 game
- 1975 City doubles Scratch Champion: shot 699
- 1976 Waterloo City Match Game Champion  
Undeclared for 18 games while averaging 209
- 1988 City Team Scratch Champion (640) All Events 1938
- 1988 Waterloo TopNotchers Invitational Tournament Champion 708
- 1989 Singles 698

**State Tournaments:**

1970-1997 Bowled in 26 State Tournaments, missing one.  
Teams have finished in the top 10 three times: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>.

Notable scores:

- 1980 singles 680, 7<sup>th</sup> place A/E 1914 4<sup>th</sup> place
- 1983 All Events 1800
- 1993 Team 701 series
- 1994 Singles 725 at Council Bluffs
- 1995 Team 703 A/E 2046 at Waterloo
- 1996 Singles 735 A/E 1998 at Burlington
- 1997 Doubles 717 A/E 1880 at Newton
- 1997 State Seniors Double Champion 747 series

**Regional**

Hampton Classic 1974 3<sup>rd</sup>. place

In 1974, Greg finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Minneapolis Tribune Classic, shooting 897 for 4 games averaging 224. From Minneapolis, Greg drove to Rochester to compete in the Tri-State Classic. He bowled two team events that day recording a 660 and 570 series. The next morning, in the Singles & Doubles events Greg recorded scores of 681 and 687 ending the week having averaged 219 for 16 tournament games.

Peterson Classic in Chicago, participated in 13 annual events, squad winner 4 times, and won \$1000 in 1977 with a score of 1517

**State Father-Son Tournament 1975**

Local and District	1 <sup>st</sup> . place
State	2 <sup>nd</sup> . Place

Greg had been pheasant hunting the entire morning of the tournament. On the first two times that he tried to throw the ball, his feet stuck and he landed out on the lanes on his hands and knees. Not to be deterred, Greg rallied forth and from the 7<sup>th</sup> frame of the first game to the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> game rolled 28 out of a possible 30 strikes.

All Iowa “300” Tournament – Fort Dodge	1976	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Greater Iowa BA	1976	6 <sup>th</sup> place
Senior Scratch BA	1997 at Cedar Rapids	3 <sup>rd</sup> place
	1997 at Marion	3 <sup>rd</sup> . place

**ABC**

From 1970 – 1990 participated in 17 out of 20 tournaments

1995	at Reno	A/E 1797
1996	at Salt Lake City	Team 625, Singles 634, Doubles 605, A/E 1864
1997	at Huntsville	Team 657, Singles 647, A/E 1827

**Scoring Summary**

Highest Series:	774
Highest Average:	214
300 Games:	3
11 in-a-row:	2
TriPLICATE Awards:	215

Greg Everett was not just a one-dimensional bowler. He utilized his college education and supervisory experience with IBM to give back to the game so that others may also experience the sport that he loved.

Waterloo Junior League Coach – 7 years

Waterloo Bowling Association Board of Directors 1974-1990

Director	2 years
Vice President	2 years
President of Waterloo BA	14 years

Responsible for implementing the “All Star Teams” & Bowler of the Year recognition concepts.

Represented Waterloo at every State delegates Meeting for 16 years

Represented Waterloo at 14 State Jamborees

During Greg's career. If there was a committee he has served on it.

15 plus years member – Waterloo Hall of Fame Committee

All Star Team Committee 15 + years

Bowler of the Year Committee 10 + years

In 2001 Greg Everett was elected to the Waterloo Bowling Association Hall of Fame

As members of the Greater Cedar Valley Association we have looked at Greg's full body of work and are recommending his nomination for the State Hall of Fame consideration.

As President, Greg successfully led the association through the down turn years in the early 80's while compiling an impressive set of bowling credentials accumulated in an era which featured lower scoring conditions.

The Waterloo Hall of Fame seeks to recognize those individuals who make significant contributions to the Association through either service or bowling ability, Greg as achieved both. Please consider those accomplishments in a positive light and add his name to the list of bowlers who have helped to make Waterloo's Association one of Iowa's best.

Sincerely: Greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association Board of Directors

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Chairman, Hall of Fame Committee

*Connie Rummel*

President, Greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association

*Loretta Wander*

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