Fran Eighme

Date of Birth -

Residence -

Bowling Ability is his catagory and what a bowler.

Fran started bowling in sanctioned leagues in 1960 at the age of 16. In 1960 he averaged 146 and by 1963 was averaging 198. Since that time has averaged 200 or better through the 1987 season while bowling in at least two leagues every season. Fran has been on 53 league championship teams.

In the Waterloo City Tournaments Fran has been a part of 17 championship events. Three handicap and nine open team champions. One open singles championship,one open doubles championship,one handicap doubles championship and two open all-events championships.

He was Waterloo City Match Game Champion in 1969,named to the Waterloo City All-Star Team in 1982 and Bowler of the Year in 1986-87.

Fran was elected to the Waterloo Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1984.

Fran has been one of the top bowlers in the Greater Iowa Bowling Association since the 1971-72 season. In GIBA tournaments Fran has made the finals 28 times including eight 1st place finishes, Fran was the leading money winner in the GIBA in 1972-73 again in 1977-78 and again in 1984-85.

Fran has been in the finals of the Iowa State Match Game Championships, taking 1st place in 1971 and 1976 and finished 2nd twice in 1972 and 1985.

In the Iowa State Bowling Tournament Fran was a member of the Championship team in 1982, 2nd place team in 1977 and 1985 and 3rd placein doubles in 1980.

Fran has averaged 197 in ABC tournaments finishing 3rd place in the singles with a score of 729 in 1978. Fran and his team has done some good bowling in ABC competition.

Fran has bowled 6-300 games, 1-299 game, 1-298 game, 4-11 in a row awards, 10 ABC medals, 1-3rd place ring for ABC Singles, 175-700 series. His first 700 was on April 5,1964 a 702 series and his highest series is a 791.

Fran has also done his share of helping others improve their games and was a Junior Bowling Coach for nine years.

Fran's family are all involved in the bowling game, his wife Linda is one of the top women bowlers in Waterloo and son Rich one of the top young bowlers in the Waterloo area.

Inducted into the Iowa Bowling Hall of FAme in March 1988.