

Mr. Jack Walsh

Inducted into the NLBA Hall of Fame in 1999 as an “Athlete”



Jack began his basketball career at St. Bonaventure's College under the guidance of Brother Rhone, who had received a semi-pro contract offer before he entered the Brotherhood. Jack was a member of the famous St. Bon's team that won the city championship seven years in a row in the late 60's and early 70's. He played in the first game ever played at the Memorial Stadium, on the concrete floor... they slipped all over the place. There was great competition in basketball in those

days... Teams for St. Bon's, St. Pat's, Holy Cross, Guards and Fieldians. Jack recalls St. Bon's winning... Big Jack, as he was called, comes by his name honestly, the story is told of the time when Jack arrived home late one evening with 5 of this team mates in tow from a big game in Argentina... Jack's mother feed the guys with the food she had set aside for Jack's supper.

Jack says that the highlight of his career is the people he meet and the life long friendships he established through basketball.