

ARLINGTON SPORTS HALL OF FAME

2018 INDUCTEE - WILLIAM A. DURYEE

Bill Duryee was a gifted all around athlete who grew up in Arlington and was a Hall of Fame track and football player for Bishop Denis J. OConnell High School, graduating in 1961. While at Bishop OConnell, he was the Metropolitan Washington Catholic League sprint champion in the 100 and 220 yard races, and in the 440 yard (quarter mile) sprint. Bill set Catholic League records of 10.0 seconds in the 100 and 22.2 seconds in the 220 yard sprint. He also tied the Virginia state record of 9.9 seconds in the 100 yard sprint. Bill was named to the All Metropolitan Washington Track First Team for setting a metropolitan area record of 49.5 in the 440 yard event.

He received a track scholarship to LaSalle University, where he had an outstanding track career. As team captain, he led his team to successive Mid Atlantic Conference (MAC) Track Championships in 1964-1966. He anchored the LaSalle sprint relay and mile relay record setting teams in national competitions, including the Penn Relays Invitational. Bill was a three time MAC Champion and still holds the 440 yard record of 47.8 seconds on a cinder track at LaSalle. He was inducted into the LaSalle Track Hall of Fame in 1993.

Bill and his wife, Patricia, both served their country as national security professionals for over 30 years before retiring in 1998. Besides his wife, Bill's immediate family includes his two daughters, Carin and Cadre, and two grandsons.