



## Hall of Fame Ken Krasselt

\*AHA 1970-1971 Alaska Mr. Hockey Award.

\*Ken Krasselt was very instrumental being an original Board Member that helped bring the State of Alaska Hockey together to Form The Alaska State Hockey Association Now known as (ASHA).

\*Ken's Fingerprints are on Alaska's Certification to become a member of The Amateur Hockey Association United States (AHAUS) Now called USA Hockey.

\*A tireless worker and voice for the Growth and Development of Skating Programs for both ice hockey and figure skating. Ken was always one of the most recognizable faces in an Alaskan Ice Arena wearing his Famous Hockey Pin-Hat, giving a warm Smile-Hug-or Firm Handshake.

\*Ken's Hockey Hat was so Highly Regarded it once made the Headlines in the Daily News as it had been stolen. Everyone in Anchorage was on the lookout for Ken's Hat. Thank Goodness the Hat was returned as The Hat is A Golden Memory of Alaska Hockey History.

\*Ken was on the Sullivan Arena Advisory Committee and was awarded "The Golden Shovel" By Mayor George M. Sullivan for his work on "The Project 80's". A Task Force assigned to bring Anchorage a Grand Sports Arena. The (Sully) for decades would bring Alaskans together to enjoy many forms of entertainment.

\*A Former President of AHA Ken held many Roles and Titles as an Alaska State Hockey Association Board Member and was the Official Hat Trick- Assist Trick and Shut Out Patch Delegator. When a player achieved one of these accomplishments, Ken would award the Alaska Hockey Player with the Hockey Patch to be sewn onto the team jacket!

\*Ken Coached Bantam and Midget Hockey Teams with Irv Long and Dempsey Anderson.

\*Thru the 1960's to the opening of the Sullivan Arena Ken announced Hockey Games for AMU, UAA, and The Original 70's Anchorage Wolverines at the Fireweed Sports Arena.

\*Ken skated with his beloved York Steel Team and was friends with Duane Henson (The Owner). Ken asked him to sponsor the Team and Duane said Only if you play on it".

\*In Closing: In Ken's words (March 23rd 1977) "As Many of you know, I have been involved with youth, hockey and senior hockey, from the cradle, you might say, and probably will be to the grave. I Played my first hockey game in Alaska, on Elmendorf 1947-1948 with U.S.N., in the Armed Forces Winter Carnival. Hockey in Alaska goes back to the 30's, with many of those old timers still here"!

\*Ken and his wife Mary Ann Krasselt are a Loved part of Alaska Hockey History.

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