

Diane Materi

1999 Inductee - Athlete Category



Diane began her playing career at age 15 as part of the Hjorth Road Juvenile Team in 1968. In subsequent years, Diane moved up in elite fastball; Senior B in 1969; Junior Ladies in 1970, then Senior A in 1971 with Green & Louie and remained with the team through its name changes of Doc's Blues and Alpha Sports. Diane was also a playing coach with American Hotel, then onto Fraser Vale Sr. A during the 1980s.

Success followed Diane in the Masters category playing for the Meralomas. She captured many individual awards along the way from Rookie of the Year to Top Pitcher, Top Batter, MVP and numerous All-Star selections. Diane was a member of Gold medal teams in 18 Provincial, 7 Canadian, 2 Western Canadian and 2 Masters World Championships.

Diane Materi has showcased her talents not only in Canada but also in Puerto Rico (PanAm Games), El Salvador (Worlds), Portland Oregon and Australia (World Masters), Japan, Philippines, U.S.A. and New Zealand.

In 1980, both Texas A&M and Cal State Fullerton offered full ride scholarships to Diane Materi.

Career Highlights

- Masters – Rookie of the Year
- Masters – Top Pitcher, Top Batter, MVP and multiple All-Star Awards
- 18x Provincial Championships Gold Medalist
- 7x Canadian Championships Gold Medalist
- 2x Western Canadian Championships Gold Medalist
- 2x Masters World Championships Gold Medalist
- 1978 – ISF Women's Worlds Silver Medalist with the Doc's Blues (Left fielder & Pitcher)
- 1980 – Offered full ride scholarships by Texas A&M and Cal State Fullerton
- 1999 – Inducted into the Softball BC Hall of Fame
- 2014 – Inducted into the BC Sports Hall of Fame with the 1978 Doc's Blues