

Mike Piechnik

2006 Inductee - Athlete Category



Mike Piechnik began his fastpitch career as an outfielder, quickly becoming one of the top left-handed pitchers in the game.

In 1983, he began to compete in New Zealand, playing elite-level softball on an international scale. Upon his return in 1984, he joined the Victoria Royals, who were defending their National title, and was mentored by Rob Guenter.



In 1985, he was recruited to play for The Farm of Madison, Wisconsin. It was with them that he achieved international success, including a record four perfect games at the International Softball Congress World Tournament. Mike continued to collect Canadian and National Championship titles as well as individual awards such as Top Pitcher, Most Valuable Player and Most Outstanding Player.

From 1987 to 1999, he represented Canada on the Men's National Team, helping them win the 1992 ISF Men's World Championship and silver at the 1996 ISF Men's World Championship. In both 1995 and 1999, he achieved Gold at the Pan American Games.

Ultimately, Mike is recognized as one of the greatest pitchers in softball history. He was inducted into the Softball BC, US Fastpitch, Softball Canada, and International Softball Federation Hall of Fames.

Career Highlights

- 1987-1999 Member of the Team Canada
- 1988 - Set a tournament record of 140 strikeouts at the US National Championship
- 1988 – Pitched a 20-inning game with 46 strikeouts
- 1991-22, 1997, 2001 – 4x Canadian Championship Gold Medalist
- 1992 – ISF World Championship Gold Medalist
- 1993/96 – 2x US National Championship Gold Medalist
- 1995/99 – 2x Pan American Games Gold Medalist
- 1996 – ISF World Championship Silver Medalist
- 9x ISC All-World Selection, 4 ISC Perfect Games, 6 Career No-Hitters
- 2006 – Inducted into the Softball BC Hall of Fame
- 2009 – Inducted into the US Fastpitch Hall of Fame

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- 2012 – Inducted into the Softball Canada Hall of Fame
- 2014 – Inducted into the International Softball Federation (ISF) Hall of Fame
- 2019 – Inducted into the Greater Victoria Hall of Fame