

NICK NETTI



Nick Netti graduated from Auburn High School in 1952 and was a Seneca Falls Community member for 44 years until his passing in April 2006 after battling a cancerous brain tumor. Nick has been selected to be inducted into the Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame as a Lifetime Contributor.

Nick was born in Sammichele Bari, Italy in 1933. He came to America at the age of four and settled in Auburn, NY with his family. He and his wife (7 years), Shirley moved to Seneca Falls in 1962. Nick retired after 32 years at the Seneca Falls Army Depot. He was also part owner-operator of the Brothers Three Trophy & Engraving Business and worked at D.A. Liquors and Sinicropi Florist following his retirement.

Nick was involved in youth programs in Auburn and Seneca Falls for 42+ years: 5 years as CYO basketball coach at St. Francis in Auburn, 25 years as CYO basketball coach at St. Patrick's in Seneca Falls, 35 years as St. Patrick's basketball program coordinator for both boys and girls, 30 years as high school basketball referee for both boys and girls, 40 years as a high school football referee, 10 years as a high school baseball umpire, 10 years as a high school volleyball official, 17 years as coach for Little League baseball in Seneca Falls, 15 years as a Little League Player Agent, 2 years as Little League President, 4 years as a Member of the Executive Committee in the Finger Lakes Football Official Association, 2 years as Vice President and 2 years as President. He also served as the Association's New York State Delegate for the chapter. He served as Treasurer of the Mynderse Academy Sports Boosters and was a member of the Seneca Falls Recreation Commission.

Nick was an NYSCFO Merit Award Recipient for Football in 1980. He was inducted into the St. Francis Athletic Hall of Fame at the 17th Annual St. Francis Athletic Association Sports Award Banquet in 1987. He was the Finger Lakes Football Official of the Year and Kodak Official of the Year in 1989. He was inducted into the 8th Annual Section Five Football Hall of Fame as an official in 2005. Nick was also recognized at several banquets for his dedication and years of service to the youth in Seneca Falls and St. Patrick's Sports Programs.

Nick was named "Outstanding Italian Citizen" and received the Fr. Joseph Beatini Memorial Award. He was recognized at 11am Sunday Italian Mass, a centerpiece for the St. Anthony's Italian Festival in 1993. He was a member of the S.M.S. for 35 years and served as the treasurer for the club and the St. Anthony's Italian Festival.

Nick was Director of Athletics at Mynderse Academy from 1991-1995. He was active with the coaches, students, players, faculty and staff.

Nick and Shirley celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a surprise party at Seneca Falls Country Club with their three children, Kathy (late Bill) Moody, Maria and Lou Granger, and Domenic Netti, their seven grandchildren Nicole, Alissa, Billy, and Christine Moody, Stephanie, Ashley, and Kellie Granger and family and friends in 2005. Nick's family is honored to accept this award on his behalf.