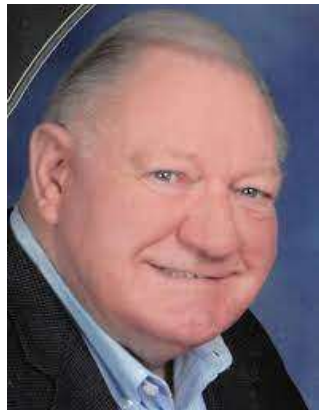


## IN MEMORIAM

### To District III Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame members and notables

#### RALPH BYERS

Ralph Byers, 75, was born in Lancaster on April 8, 1944, and passed away in Carlisle on March 16, 2020. Ralph was an outstanding wrestling



official for 27 years and served as a coach on several teams in the Carlisle Area School District, where he was a health and physical education teacher for many years. He was a member of the following Halls

of Fame: District III Wrestling Coaches (1997), PA Chapter of the National Wrestling HOF (2011), Penn Manor Wall of Honor (2014). He was a graduate of Penn Manor HS and West Chester University and earned his Master's Degree in Secondary Education from Shippensburg University.

#### DAVE CONAWAY

Dave Conaway, 63, was born on December 25, 1957, and passed away on July 4, 2021. Dave served as head wrestling coach at New Oxford



High School for 22 years after 7 seasons as an assistant wrestling coach at the school. His son, Jordan Conaway, is the school's lone PIAA champion and a 2-time NCAA All-American at

Penn State. He is a member of both the District III Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame and the New Oxford Athletic Hall of fame. He was a graduate of Philipsburg-Osceola HS and Clarion University.

#### JOHN "JD" DUNSMORE

John Dunsmore, 85, was born in Philipsburg in 1935 and passed away in Camp Hill on September 18, 2020. John was a physical



education teacher in the Big Spring School District for 35 year and coached wrestling for 30 years, amassing 302 victories for the Bulldogs. He is a member of the District III Wrestling Coaches Hall of

Fame and the West Shore Chapter of the PA Sports Hall of Fame. He was a graduate of Philipsburg High School, where he did not participate in wrestling, and Lock Haven University.

#### GLENN FLEGAL

Glenn Flegal, 88, was born in Clearfield on October 25, 1931, and passed away in Mechanicsburg on December 27, 2020. Glenn



was an accomplished wrestler (PIAA runner-up in 1950 at Clearfield), coach (started the Carlisle program) and official (noted for his colorful mat slap of a pin

and his scrupulous fairness). He is a member of the District III and PA Wrestling Coaches Halls of Fame as well as the PA Chapter of the National Wrestling HOF. He was a graduate of Millersville University as well as Clearfield High School.

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#### RAY E. "SKIP" HUTTER, JR

Skip Hutter, 88, was born in Harrisburg on October 13, 1932 and passed away in Mechanicsburg on August 22, 2021. Skip



covered a very wide range of sports. He had a big impact on scholastic wrestling with his coverage in The Patriot-News, including his popular Big 12 feature. He is an inductee of several Halls of Fame, including the District III and PA Wrestling Coaches and the West Shore Chapter of the PA Sports Hall of Fame.

#### MIKE KHAN

Mike Khan, 42, was born on September 17, 1978 and passed away on May 15, 2021, the result of a motorcycle accident. Mike was an



outstanding wrestler at Harrisburg HS, winning a pair of PIAA championships and a national freestyle title among other honors. He was a 3-time District III wrestling champion and a member of the District III Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

#### ED MICHAEL

Ed Michael, 67, was born October 21, 1954 and passed away on November 14, 2021. He



wrestled at Lower Dauphin HS. Ed was a lifelong fan of high school wrestling and was encyclopedic in his knowledge. But where Ed stood out was his enduring commitment to hands-on work for the District III and PIAA tournaments, doing tasks that greatly aided those events. It is with gratitude that District III acknowledges Ed's selfless commitment to the sport.

#### NEIL TURNER

Neil W. Turner, 83, was born in Clearfield on November 26, 1938 and passed away in Lancaster on December 30, 2021. While not a



head coach at District III high school, Neil nonetheless had significant impact with District III wrestlers and coaches during his time as head coach at Messiah University and his countless clinics in the District III area. He is a member of numerous Halls of Fame, including the PA Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. He was a Clearfield HS and Penn State University grad.

#### KEN WHISLER

Ken Whisler, 85, was born in Hummelstown on July 22, 1934 and passed away on March 23, 2020, at his Hummelstown home. Ken was an



outstanding wrestling coach at Newport HS and Manheim Township HS in Neffsville, raising the Blue Streaks to great heights in District III during his tenure. His dual record was 331-115 in 30 years of coaching. Ken was a graduate of Hershey HS and West Chester University and served in the United States Navy. Ken is a member of several Halls of Fame, including the District III and Pennsylvania Coaches' halls as well as induction in both Hershey HS and Manheim Township HS halls.