

JAMES "EDD" DAVIS

Men's Veteran Service – 2004



James Davis is being inducted in the Veteran Service Division. He has been a sanctioned bowler for over 40 years. He is dedicated, knowledgeable, personable, assertive and dependable. He began bowling at the Downtown YMCA in 1950 and has been a team captain for most of those 40 years, including President and Secretary many times. We said James was dedicated and dependable. He has bowled for over 20 consecutive years without an absence on Wednesday Night Eastside Mixed league. He has bowled in 37 ABC National Tournaments, 31 Oil Capitol Tournaments, 40 State, 45 City Championships as well as 40 Southwest Tournaments. He also had several years of participation in the Ozarks, Honkies, Hazel Green and Green Country Tournaments. James has been a Youth coordinator, Coach, Instructor, and was Tournament organizer and director for the Southwest Association Invitational Open Tournament for 30 years (1965-1995). He organized a women's league in 1955 called the Thursday Night Wonders and was it's instructor for 8 years. He was also a league coordinator at Bryan Center for 5 years; a center he and 3 others convinced a developer to build in 1961. As a man of color, James brought diversity to many of the tournaments as well as the Oklahoma City Men's Bowling Association where he was a member in 1971 and served as Director and President. He is also an accomplished bowler with high league average of 210, Series 735 and Game 275. James has been a loyal and dedicated bowler for more than 40 years working for the integration of all bowlers and the Bowling Council proudly inducts James E. Davis into its Hall of Fame.