ANDREW KOETTKER

Men's Veteran Service Division - 1986



Mr. Koettker's bowling career began in the 1930's and covered all phases of the bowling industry. As a bowling proprietor from 1935 to 1951, he helped organize and served as the first president of the Oklahoma State Bowling Proprietors Association in 1943. He was involved in the organizational stages of the first traveling league in Oklahoma City in 1938; the first "All-Star" Tournament in Oklahoma in 1942; the first Ragtime Doubles of the "Oklahoma City Times" Classic; a charter member and the first secretary of the Mersfelder "700" Club. After 35 years as a sanctioned bowler he retired from bowling in 1958. He then worked as a salesman for the AMF corporation. For his service and dedication to all phases of the bowling industry, we proudly induct Mr. Andrew Koettker into the Oklahoma City Bowling Hall of Fame.