



SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Individual recognition

Award

Please Return by DECEMBER 31ST

LETTER TO NOMINATOR AND APPLICANT

Dear Nominator and Applicant,

You should know, the Bowie State University Sports Hall of Fame (SHOF) was created solely to recognize former Bowie State athletes who played an authorized and sanctioned varsity sport while at Bowie State. Further, we are a self-sustaining organization. Our funding is provided by our members,

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supporters and friends. We do not receive any funding from Bowie State University nor the Bowie State University National Alumni Association, Inc. (BSUNAA). The funding for our activities, banquets, or other events are all funded through ticket sales, program books, event advertisements, donations, contributions and membership dues. Therefore, it should be understood that your possible recognition by the Sports Hall of Fame Foundation (SHOFF) will require funding provided by the nominee and their supporters. Noted below are the expected costs associated with your selection and/or recognition by the SHOFF.

First, we would like to thank you for your interest in nominating a former Bowie State athlete for the Sports Hall of Fame's Individual Recognition Award. Let us state upfront that the process for both you and your nominee may be time consuming as you gather information to confirm his/her eligibility. Please read the criteria carefully before submitting this application. **NO SELF NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED FOR THIS CATEGORY.**

You may be asked or required to provide reference materials about the nominee including, but not limited to, newspaper articles, citations, and awards. This selection process will require a personal interview with the nominee at a time and place designated by the BSU Sports Hall of Fame's Selection Committee. If the candidate is deceased, an interview may be required by a surviving spouse or family member.

Further, there is a financial component with this Individual Recognition Award. So, before proceeding, please be aware and make the nominee aware of this financial commitment. His/her basic financial commitment is estimated to be around \$1,800.00, which will be required to be paid before June 1st or another officially designated date.

The Sports Hall of Fame provides for the submission of the nomination application package in two (2) forms, electronic-copy, rickmitchell1212@yahoo.com or donsportshof@gmail.com or hard-copy. Once completed in hard-copy form, you may mail your application package to:

**BSU Sports Hall of Fame Foundation
Attn: Application
P.O. Box 2343
Bowie, Maryland 20718**

However, if you chose to submit your completed application package electronically, you may submit your application package via email to: donsportshof@gmail.com or rickmitchell1212@yahoo.com. In either case, your submission of the Individual Recognition Award Application package must be accompanied with a non-refundable \$25.00 payment before the application process begins. Check or money order must be made payable to: **SHOFF or Sports Hall of Fame Foundation. Note in the Memo Area: HOF Admin. Mail to: Sports Hall of Fame Foundation. P.O. Box 2343. Bowie, Maryland 20718. Payments may also be made through Zelle: Donsportshof@gmail.com or (3031) 275-0565 Cash App: \$bsuhoff, or Paypal: [paypal.me/johnaword](https://www.paypal.com/Johnaword).**

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Finally, we look forward to receiving your completed SHOF Individual Recognition Award Application. Again, thank you for your interest in nominating your favorite former Bowie State player for this exceptional honor.

NOMINATING INSTRUCTIONS

Nominations for the Bowie State University Sports Hall of Fame's (SHOF) Individual Recognition Award for former varsity level Bowie State athletes can be submitted by current or former BSU students, administrators, faculty, coaches, friends, or nominee's family members. **NO SELF NOMINATIONS ARE ACCEPTED FOR THIS CATEGORY.**

All Nominations for the SHOFF Individual Recognition Award must complete this official Individual Recognition Award Application Form (also known as the Nomination Form) included below. If additional form pages are needed, please make copies of the page or pages and complete them with your submission. Please take the time to read the entire form before you begin to complete the information.

Complete the Individual Recognition Award Application Form in its entirety. If there are items which don't apply, indicate N/A in the appropriate space. Consideration will only be given to nominees with a properly completed form. Also, complete the form by filling-in or typing in the necessary information.

Nominations are limited to one (1) sport per Nomination Application Form. A separate Nomination Application Form is necessary for each sport nomination. Currently, the Selection Committee does not consider dual sport nominations. The submission of the nomination application package, via hard-copy or electronic-copy, must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$25.00 check or money order. The check or money order must be made payable to: **SHOFF or Sports Hall of Fame Foundation** before the processing of the application begins. **Note in the Memo area: HOF Admin.** See the mailing address instruction below.

The Nominee's Application will be reviewed by the Sports Hall of Fame Foundation's (SHOFF) Selection Committee, and the Selection Committee will make its recommendation, in part, based on the information provided on the Application. **Resumes, biographical information, news articles, and documented awards can be submitted with the Application as supporting documentation but will not be considered as an "Official" Athlete Recognition Award Application.** All Nominations Forms must have the complete contact information for the person or persons making the Nomination. Failure to provide this information will result in the application being rejected.

The Individual Recognition Award Applications Form must be received by the Bowie State University Sports Hall of Fame Foundation's Selection Committee or U.S. Postal marked by December 31st. The Application should be mailed to:

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However, if you choose to send your application package electronically, please transmit via email to: rickmitchell1212@yahoo.com or donsportshof@gmail.com.

The BSU Sports Hall of Fame Foundation reserves the right to reclassify all applications for nominations for the Sports Hall of Fame into appropriate categories for consideration.

For more information on the nomination process, please contact President, Ricardo Mitchell at 301-775-8008 (Cell) rickmitchell1212@yahoo.com or Executive Director, Dr. John Word Sr., at 301-456-9900 (Cell) or word.john@yahoo.com or Secretary, Donald Ball, Jr., dlballjr@verizon.net at 301-275-0565 (Cell).

Criteria for INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARD Nominations

Candidates for nomination must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the Bowie State University Sports Hall of Fame. Nominees may be nominated by current or former BSU students, Coaches, Faculty, Administrators, Athletic Department Staff, Family Members or Friends.

However, under no circumstances can there be Self-Nominations.

Individual Nominees may be nominated for more than one (1) sport; however, each Individual Nomination must be submitted separately, and the fee schedule will apply.

1. Nominees must have "Lettered" in a recognized and sanctioned varsity level sports played at Bowie State.
2. Nominees must have participated in that sport for a minimum of two (2) years or two seasons and was recognized for their achievements and/or significant contributions to their sport. Achievements and Significant Contributions, in part, are defined as having received the distinction of being selected as: All American, All Conference, All League, All State, All-Star, and/or Honorable Mention, etc., by a recognized and sanctioned body credited with making such selections.
3. Nominees must have been out-of-competition from Bowie State for a minimum of ten (10) years.
4. Nominees must have demonstrated outstanding quality, high moral character and integrity while attending Bowie State and after.

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5. Nominees must not have financial obligations to the University or related organizations.

Unsuccessful Individual nominee applications, in this category, will be placed on the ballot for a period of two (2) additional years. If they are not Inducted into the BSU Sports Hall of Fame during this period, their application will be removed from the ballot. Once removed, the Individual Nominee must wait a period of two (2) years before they can be re-nominated.

Criteria for INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARD FOR CHEERLEADER Nominations

Candidates for nomination must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the Bowie State University Sports Hall of Fame. Nominees may be nominated by current or former BSU students, Coaches, Faculty, Administrators, Athletic Department Staff, Family Members or Friends.

However, under no circumstances can there be Self-Nominations.

Individual Nominees may be nominated for more than one (1) sport; however, each Individual nomination must be submitted separately, and the fee schedule will apply.

1. Nominees must have “Lettered” in a recognized and sanctioned varsity level sports played at Bowie State.

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2. Nominees must have served as a Cheerleader Captain for at least one (1) year or one (1) season.
3. Nominees must have participated as a Cheerleader for a minimum of two (2) years or two seasons and was recognized for their achievements and/or significant contributions to their particular sport. Achievements and Significant Contributions, in part, are defined as having received the distinction of being selected as: Captain of the Cheerleader Team, or All American, All Conference, All League, All State, All-Star, and/or Honorable Mention, etc., by a recognized and sanctioned body credited with making such selections.
4. Nominees must have been out-of-competition from Bowie State for a minimum of ten (10) years.
5. Nominees must have demonstrated outstanding quality, high moral character and integrity while attending Bowie State and after.
6. Nominees must not have financial obligations to the University or related organizations.

Unsuccessful Individual nominee applications, in this category, will be placed on the ballot for a period of two (2) additional years. If they are not Inducted into the BSU Sports Hall of Fame during this period, their application will be removed from the ballot. Once removed, the Individual Nominee must wait a period of two (2) years before they can be re-nominated.

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SECTION I
NOMINEE'S PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION

*Nominee's Full Name:		*Date of Birth:	
Present Position/Occupation:			
*Present Address:			
*City:		*State:	*Zip Code:
*Home Phone:	Business Phone:		*Other:
*Personal Email:		Business Email:	

SECTION II
NOMINEE'S EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

*Bowie State Enrollment Date:	Major: Business	Minor:
Type of Degree:	*Completion Date:	*Graduation Date:
Post Graduate Studies		
School:	Enrollment Date:	Major:
Dissertation:	Type of Degree:	Graduation or Completion Date:

SECTION III
SPORT SELECTION CATEGORY
Select Sport Played

Bowling:	Tennis:	Football:	Women's Basketball:	Softball:	Track & Field:
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Baseball:	Volleyball:	Golf:	Men's Basketball:	Swimming:	Other:
PLAYING PERIOD <i>Provide the Years Nominee Played</i>					
Legacy - Period of Play 1920 - 1980:			Legend - Period of Play 1981 - Present:		
FROM:			FROM:		

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SECTION IV
NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS

*** 1 Nominee's Undergraduate Athletic Achievements (Honors, Awards, On-Field Accomplishments, etc.):**

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*** 2 Nominee's Professional Athletic Achievements (Honors, Awards, On-Field Accomplishments, etc.):**

*** 3 Nominee's Undergraduate Academic or Extra Curricular Activities (Fraternity, Sorority, SGA, Clubs, etc.):**

Intramural and Recreation Sports Program at Bowie State University (2018-2019)

*** 4 Post Undergraduate Community Organizations and/or Civic Associations, Elected Office, Political Appointments, etc.:**

*** 5 Professional Memberships and/or Honors:**

6 Church Affiliations and/or Honors and Awards, etc. (Optional):

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*** 7 Other Accomplishments and/or BSUNAA, Local Alumni Chapter, etc.:**

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SECTION V

NOMINEE'S EXPRESSION

Please have Nominee provide a short narrative on their desire to be recognized by the BSU Sports Hall of Fame

SECTION VI

NOMINEE'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AFFILIATION INFORMATION

*National Alumni Member (Yes/No):	*Type of Membership (Annual or Lifetime):	*Date Joined:	*Date Last Dues Paid:
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LOCAL ALUMNI CHAPTER AFFILIATION

Local Alumni Chapter's Name:	Type of Membership (Annual or Lifetime):
Date Joined:	Dues Amount Paid:

SECTION VII

NOMINEE'S FAMILY INFORMATION (*Optional*)

Marital Status:	Name of Spouse:
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If nominee is deceased, note date:

Children Names and Ages

If more space is required, please note information on worksheet

Name:	Gender	Age:
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Name:	Gender	Age:
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SECTION VIII NOMINEE'S PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION <i>If Retired, Complete Retired Section Only</i>		
1 Current Employer or Company Name:		Owner/Manager/Supervisor Name:
Years of Service with Company:	Current Title:	Special Awards/Recognitions:

2 Former Employer or Company Name:		Owner/Manager/Supervisor Name:
Years of Service with Company:	Current Title:	Special Awards/Recognitions:

SECTION IX NOMINEE'S PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONTINUED RETIRED		
Career Industry (e.g., Information Technology):	Last Company's Name:	Years of Service:
Last Title:		Special Awards/Recognitions:

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SECTION X NOMINEE'S COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION <i>Please provide details for your community service in this Section</i>		
1 Organization Name:	Organization Leader's Name:	Type of Community Organization:
Your Title (Member, Officer):	Years of Service with Organization:	Special Awards/Recognitions:
2 Organization Name:	Organization Leader's Name:	Type of Community Organization:
Your Title (Member, Officer):	Years of Service with Organization:	Special Awards/Recognitions:

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SECTION X NOMINEE'S CONFIDENTIAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION		
* Has Nominee ever been convicted of a felony?	If yes, Date of Conviction:	If yes, State/County/City of Conviction:
If yes, Sentence:	If yes, Length of Incarceration:	If yes, Current Status:
<i>The conviction of a Felony does not automatically eliminate the Nominee from consideration for Recognition by the BSU Sports Hall of Fame; however, it may be</i>		

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considered as a factor by each voting member of the Selection Committee and its impact.

SECTION XI
WORKSHEET SECTION

Please use this section to provide any additional information to your application form. Identify the Section and provide additional information. If additional space is required, feel free to copy this page and submit it with your application package.

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NOTE TO NOMINATORS

Individual who chooses to nominate former Bowie State athletes, head coaches, assistant coaches, and athletic department staff should understand that you have an obligation to help, assist, and guide your nominee forward in this process. Your nominee will be requested to provide information, raise funds, attend meetings, and participate in a personal interview with the Sports Hall of Fame's Selection Committee, and it will be your responsibility to provide support to your nominee with all of these activities. Further, there will be a substantial financial obligation required by your nominee and you may be asked to help provide some of these funds. Before you submit this document, you should be aware that the Selection Committee may call upon you for your support of your nominee and your assistance will be expected.

SECTION XI
NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION

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* Nominator's Name:		* Relationship to Nominee: Self	
* Nominator's Street Address:			
* City:		* State: Maryland	* Zip Code:
* Phone Number 1:	Business Number:	Additional Phone Number:	
* Personal Email:		Business Email:	

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

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Please forward your hardcopy Nomination Application Form to:
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**All Applications for consideration must be received by December 31st unless waived
by the SHOF President**