Alabama Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame



LARRY GIANGROSSO Class of 2001

"In Recognition of a Lifetime of Outstanding Achievement in the game of Baseball.

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Larry Giangrosso began his coaching career at W. A. Berry High School in 1975 as an English teacher, Freshman Football Coach, Basketball Coach, and Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach. From 1979-1990 he was Head Baseball Coach winning 5 Regional Championships: 1981, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1989; 4 Jefferson County Championships: 1984, 1986, 1988, 1990; 1981 4A State Champions with a 30-5 record; 1981: 4A Coach of the Year; he posted a 254-115 record; he also served as President of the Jefferson County Baseball Coaches Association.

In 1990 Giangrosso started the Baseball Program at Central Alabama Community College. The Trojans posted a 320-183-1 record under Giangrosso, including eight consecutive winning seasons from 1992-99. The team also captured the 1998 Alabama Junior and Community College Conference (AJCCC) Division I Championship. The Trojans won three Central Division titles (1992-94) under Giangrosso who was twice selected as the AJCCC Central Division Coach of the Year (1992-93). Giangrosso served as president of the National Junior College Baseball Coaches Association in 1999. He also coached the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) National All-Star team to a three-games-to-two victory over Japan in 1998, the first time that the USA junior college team defeated the Japanese in a series. He served as Athletics Director at CACC from 1993-1999. He also served as Chairman of the Alabama Junior and Community College Baseball Coaches Committee.

In June of 1999, Giangrosso became the third Baseball Coach at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He coached the Blazers for seven seasons posting a 176-222 record.

Giangrosso also has been a guest speaker and lecturer at coaching clinics around the state of Alabama, as well as the United States and Canada. He appeared at the Alabama Baseball Coaches Association Convention (1997, 2000), the Alabama High School Athletic Association Baseball Coaches Clinic (1997, 2001), the Ontario Baseball Association and Nova Scotia Baseball Clinics and the Atlanta Dugout Club. He has also been a guest speaker at the American Baseball Coaches Association National Convention (1999 & 2006).

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