Alabama Baseball Coaches Association Distinguished Service Award



RICHARD DAVIS 2005 Recipient

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

The State of Alabama will forever be in your debt."

Richard Davis's commitment and dedication to baseball in Alabama spanned over four decades. Beginning as a high school coach in the late 1960's and pursuing a private business in the early 1970's, he continued to be involved with the game of baseball long after leaving the coaching profession. Davis umpired high school baseball for over 20 years and was a coach and league president at every level of Clanton Dixie Youth Baseball. In 1979 he accepted a position on the Alabama East-West Baseball State Board and was also the Central Region Chairman from 1979 to 2009.

The Lions Club East-West Baseball originated in 1943 and was a fundraiser for Alabama Sight programs. During many of those years, East West Baseball games all over the state were the main source of exposure for high school baseball players. The games culminated with the State All-Star game held in Birmingham. Countless scouts and college coaches attended the event over the years. Davis's role of board member and chairman helped make these avenues possible.