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March 10, 2010

Ms. Anita Burnette  
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Ms. Burnette,

I am Bob Hoggard, a retired high school teacher and coach in Kentucky. I was inducted into the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Hall of Fame in 2000 and feel it a great honor to be recognized by the KHSAA.


For the past three years I have submitted the name of *Loy Brashear* as candidate for the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. I know you have many applications each year and it is difficult to choose those for recognition. It was recommended to me by a board member to contact each one of you and let you know as personal as I can, the application for Loy Brashear.

I have enclosed the letters of recognition that I submitted. As you can see, he has contributed to Kentucky Athletics for a long period of time. Not only his officiating record is outstanding, but he had helped Louis Stout, when he was commissioner, organize golf tournaments and other activities that were needed in our area. I do not have a written letter of endorsement from Louis, but he told me how much he appreciated Loy's help and that he would inform the board on his own.

I have sent each board member this introduction letter and the endorsements so that you can see how Loy Brashear's peers feel about his qualifications for membership into the Hall of Fame.

I thank you for your time that you render for Kentucky High School sports.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Hoggard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "B".

Bob Hoggard

522 Sunningdale Way  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
July 30, 2008

*This is a copy of my original letter*

TO: *Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee:*

It is a pleasure for me to recommend Loy Ray Brashear for Kentucky's High School Hall of Fame.

I have known Loy for many years: First as a basketball official and later as a neighbor and friend.

On many occasions Loy was assigned to officiate my regular season games and then into the regional and state tournament play. He gave it his all. He took time to make assessments that were crucial and always made fair decisions that were in the rules of the game. There have been times I disagreed with his call, but ultimately I knew he had made the right decision.

In my acquaintance with fellow coaches and school officials, Loy Brashear has always stood out in their evaluation of him as a knowledgeable student of the game with exceptional work habits and sincere interest in players, coaches and the sport. He exemplifies the model for an outstanding and effective referee as well as a honest and altruistic man. It was always a pleasure to see him walk on the game floor in that "stripped shirt." You knew you could coach your game and it would be officiated in the most professional way.

His dedication to the game, be it basketball, football, the local golf team, or community help, makes Loy a prime candidate for the Hall of Fame. His contribution to Kentucky sports has been greatly appreciated my many people.

As a personal friend, there has never been an occasion that he has not responded to my need. He and his wife, Phyllis, are community minded and are willing to help those who need help. This is special to me and well recognized by all.

For Loy's interest and dedication to Kentucky sports, I highly recommend Loy Ray Brashear to become a member of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

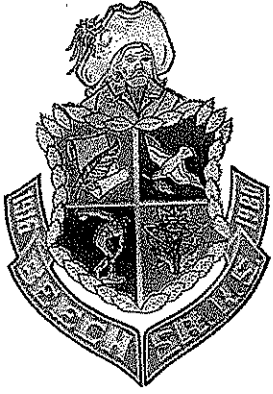
Respectively Submitted,



Robert L. Hoggard

Retired Basketball Coach

Member of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame



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**Frank Cardwell**  
Principal

July 9, 2008

Board of Control Members  
KHSAA

It is a pleasure for me to nominate Loy Brashear as a future member of the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of fame. If anyone has ever dedicated their life to High School sports in Kentucky it is Loy. I have known him for at least 30 years and having sat on the Board of Control and reading many resumes of potential members I can tell you that Loy is more than qualified by his credentials to belong. He was a basketball official for 25 years calling 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments and 4 state tournaments. He was also a football official for 10 years calling 2 state playoff games.

There are not many officials like Loy anymore. He did it because he loved high school sports, the players and the coaches. I have always held him in high regard and truly hope you will see fit to elect him into the Hall of Fame.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Frank Cardwell', written in black ink.

Frank Cardwell  
Principal



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July 8, 2008

To the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee:

It is with great pleasure I recommend Mr. Loy Brashear to you for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. I have known him for most of my life as an athlete who participated in athletic contests that he often officiated. I always thought he was a kind and fair official who treated players, coaches and fans with ultimate respect.

In 2001 as a high school principal, I was faced with the daunting task of overseeing the building of a new high school – hiring staff, implementing curriculum and all programs we would need in our new school. John Hardin was a school that was not taking the place of a school, but rather would receive students from two existing schools – in short not everyone initially welcomed us into the Hardin County community. It was not until this time that I truly understood just how kind and fair of a man Loy Brashear really is. He never waivered on his commitment to me or John Hardin High School. He contacted me early on to let me know he was supporting our school. He singlehandedly organized our golf program and coached both boys and girls teams and won our first ever regional championship banner for our school, which still hangs in the John Hardin High School gym.

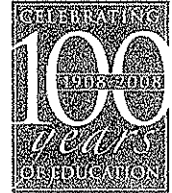
Loy refused to accept the coaching salary each year he coached, always insisting someone else or another school program needed the money and he just didn't feel it was right to accept it. He always put others first! Loy was there when I needed advice, he was there when some team, club or school organization needed financial support, and he was there to support our school and his community.

I tell you this information because this is who Loy Brashear is – he is a man that makes a commitment to what he believes in and sees it through. He is a man of integrity and extremely benevolent. As a coach he is a person that his players looked up to and admired for his coaching abilities as well as his personal characteristics and his ability to make every player feel valued and a part of the team. In his twenty five years as a referee he was fair and consistent and understood the importance of good sportsmanship in athletic events. As a father he has always been there for his sons. They now have children who admire their grandfather for his kindness and love.

The Dawahares High School Hall of Fame was organized as a means to recognize individuals who have made extraordinary contributions and have had superb accomplishments in Kentucky High School sports. His contribution to Kentucky High School sports is immeasurable. I can think of no individual who is more deserving of the recognition than Loy Brashear. I recommend him to you without reservation.

Sincerely,

Brent Holsclaw



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Ray Vencill  
152 Roundtop Rd.  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
July 3, 2008

To: Dawahare's High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee

I understand that Loy Brashear has been nominated for the Dawahare's High School Hall of Fame. This letter is to support his nomination

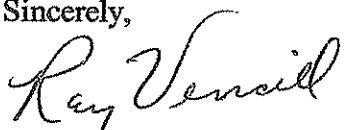
I coached basketball in Kentucky for many years at Richmond Madison and Elizabethtown High School. During that time Loy refereed many of the games that I coached. I lost some and I won some, but in my opinion he was one of the most outstanding referees that I came in contact with during my coaching career. I always knew when Loy walked into the gym, that I was going to get a fair and consistent game called because he worked hard and made every effort to do both. Loy always maintained a good relationship with coaches and players, and strived to create a comfortable atmosphere even in heavily contested rivalry games.

Loy had a business selling cars and I happened to be in his business several years ago. A young man, about 16 years old, stopped in to look at cars. The young man came back into the office and stated that he was interested in purchasing a certain car that was on the car lot. Loy proceeded to tell the young man that he could not sell him that particular car. The boy explained that he had the money on him and wanted to buy the car. Loy told him again that he could not and would not sell him that car. The young man left upset and almost mad. I asked Loy...why didn't you sell that boy the car. His answer was that the car was not a reliable one and no way could he sell that car to that kid or anyone else for that matter. That is Loy, and just one example of how he is straight down the line.

Loy attended Sonora High School in the 1950's where he was a standout basketball and baseball player. He was recognized as an all district and all conference player in basketball. He continued his love for the sport by officiating basketball for 25 years. He called 20 District Tournaments, 18 Regional Tournaments and 4 State Tournaments. He was a football official for 10 years and called two State Playoff games. Loy volunteered as a golf coach at John Hardin High School for several years. He also sponsored and chaired two fund raising golf tournaments for the KHSAA Museum at the Pine Valley Golf Course in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. Loy has been inducted into the Kentucky 5<sup>th</sup> Region Officials Hall of Fame. His accomplishments and involvement in athletics speak for themselves.

It is very apparent that Loy has spent much of his life serving young people, and I am hopeful that he will be recognized for this. Please consider adding him to this honorable and prestigious group of qualified recipients.

Sincerely,



It is a distinct pleasure and honor for me to recommend Loy Brasher as a nominee for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

I first became associated with Loy in the mid 1960's , when I coached basketball at Lindsey Wilson College and he refereed several of our games. During this time, I observed his work at many Kentucky high school athletic events .

I later moved to Elizabethtown, where our association continued to the present day; even though I moved from that area in 1975.

What has always impressed me most about Loy, as a official, was his desire and ability to conduct the games in such a way that the young people were the center of attention. Whether it be a game of importance, as a play-off, or a game of little significant , his attitude, insistence of proper procedure, and his personal work effort was unchanged.

He has always conducted himself, on or off the playing "court", as a gentleman and a outstanding leader of young people. Examples of his leadership can also be seen in his time, effort and , I'm sure, his own funds, that he contributed in his volunteer work.

I can think of no reason why Loy Brashear would not be placed at the top of the list for this honor.

Bob,

I hope this is sufficient. If not, feel free to let me know and I will make any additions, corrections, or alterations that you deem necessary. I have -plenty of time——just golf every day.  
Thanks for chance to do this.

D. Green

*Don Green, retired official, Coach*

7/30/08

To: Selection Committee of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter recommending Loy Brashear to Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. Four distinctive traits of an outstanding high school official are: devotion to boys and girls, the ability to understand all types of athletes, the ability to work in harmony with other officials and school administrators, and have a reassuring attitude. Loy Brashear possesses all of these traits.

I feel that Loy displays each of these essential traits along with many of his own personal strengths. First and foremost, he is a caring person. He cares about his family and is a devoted husband to his wife, Phyllis. Loy cares about his church and has served God through his participation in worship, educational and recreational activities. Above all, Loy cares about people. He has empathy that extends to all of those around him. Loy epitomizes the ideal characteristics of a master official and master person.

I feel fortunate that our paths have crossed during our officiating careers. Loy truly deserves this honor.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hade Durbin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Hade Durbin  
KHSAA Basketball Official 1963-1992

TO: DAWAHARES KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL HALL FAME COMMITTEE

FROM: BOB BUTLER

DATE: JULY 23, 2008

RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR LOY BRASHEAR

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS HAS AFFORDED MANY PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REACH ACHIEVEMENTS THRU THEIR ATHLETIC ABILITIES, BUT ALSO OPPORTUNITES TO HELP OTHERS TO SEEK THEIR ATHLETIC BEST.

ONE SUCH PERSON IS LOY BRASHEAR.

LOY WAS AN OUTSTANDING BASKETBALL AND BASEBALL PLAYER WHILE PLAYING AT SONORA HIGH SCHOOL IN HARDIN COUNTY KENTUCKY. HE ACHIEVED ALL-DISTRICT AND ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS IN BASKETBALL

HIS GREATEST CONTRIBUTIONS TO KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS WAS THRU BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL OFFICIATING. HE IS A 25 YEAR VETERAN OF KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL OFFICIATING, HAVING OFFICIATED 20 DISTRICT, 18 REGIONAL, AND 4 STATE TOURNAMENTS. HE SERVED 10 YEARS AS A FOOTBALL OFFICIAL, WORKING 2 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

HE IS A MEMBER OF THE FIFTH REGION OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME.

LOY'S PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN HELPING OTHERS REACH THEIR ATHLETIC POTENTIAL INCLUDES 5-PLUS YEARS SERVING AS A VOLUNTEER GOLF COACH AT JOHN HARDIN HIGH SCHOOL, SPONSORING AND CHAIRING TWO FUND RAISING GOLF EVENTS TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE KHSAA MUSEUM. HE ALSO HAS BEEN AN ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE ATHLETES AND COACHES IN THE FIFTH REGION, SUPPORTING THEM WITH HIS TIME AND MONEY.

THERE ARE A LOT OF FOLKS THROUGHOUT KENTUCKY WHO ARE DESERVING OF BEING HONORED BY MEMBERSHIP IN THE DAWAHARE'S HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME. ONE SUCH PERSON IS LOY BRASHEAR. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND HIM TO YOU .

*Bob Butler*



2587 Flint Hill Road  
Sonora, KY 42776  
July 22, 2008

Bob Hoggard  
522 Sunningdale Way  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that I support Loy Brashear's nomination for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

Loy is someone I have known for over 50 years. He is well qualified and deserving of this honor.

Loy's sports achievements were all-district and all conference in high school basketball, as well as outstanding baseball player in high school, college and community semi-pro league.

After college he officiated basketball for 25 years at the high school and small-college level. In basketball he called approximately 20 district and regional tournaments, various conference and holiday tournaments and four Kentucky High School State Tournaments. In 1999 Loy was elected to the 5<sup>th</sup> Region Officials Association Hall of Fame.

Mr. Brashear is a successful business man and a civic and community leader. He is a devoted family man to his three children and eight grandchildren. Loy and his wife Phyllis recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

This letter lists only some of the many reasons why Loy Brashear should be considered for nomination into the Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



Bobby L. Humes  
Retired Hardin County School Administrator  
Elizabethtown, KY

650 Lombardy Drive  
Cecilia, KY 42724  
270-862-9045

July 7, 2008

Selections Committee  
Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame  
ATTN: Nomination Committee

Dear Committee Members:

It is an honor and a privilege to write this letter of recommendation for the nomination of **Loy Brashear** to be inducted into the Dawahares/ KHSAA Hall of Fame. This recommendation is submitted on the basis of his numerous years of dedication to the athletic programs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. His participation as a basketball and baseball player, football official, basketball official, coach, and over all involvement in helping young people develop their athletic skills as well as the skills to live a successful life, make him a distinguished candidate. He made major contributions to high school athletics and these are justifiably enhanced through his character displayed through his every day living.

I have known Loy practically all of my life since we went to elementary school through high school as classmates. He was a true friend, and we have maintained that good friendship through the years. We played both basketball and baseball on the same teams. He was an excellent player, making all-district and all-conference in basketball, as well as a natural leader.

As the years passed, Loy became an outstanding basketball and football official. I coached basketball, and at the time coaches hired their own officials. I always scheduled Loy to officiate my biggest rival games because coaches throughout the state had a high regard for his officiating ability, knowledge of the game, and for his integrity. I cannot remember a time when he did not keep the game under control, nor can I remember the opposing coach verbalizing displeasure with his game. When talking with both basketball and football coaches, I received the same response with their regarding Loy in the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and knowledge of the games.

To the best of my knowledge, the following are some of Loy's accomplishments relating to athletics.

High school basketball and baseball player, making all-district basketball and all-conference basketball teams  
Basketball official for 25 years, including 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments, and 4 state tournaments  
Football official for 10 years including 2 playoffs  
Volunteer golf coach 5 years  
Elected to 5th Region Official's Association Hall of Fame

I have observed the following attributes that justifiably enhance the accomplishments that Loy has achieved.

Respect throughout the state  
High personal standards  
Solid example for young people  
Dedication  
Good sportsmanship  
Impact on lives of student athletes, other officials, coaches, administrators and fans  
Excellent work ethic  
Enthusiastic, loyal, dedicated and professional

Thank you for consideration of Loy Brashear as a candidate for membership into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. I feel he is most deserving of this recognition or any honor bestowed upon him.

Sincerely,



Don Morris  
Former Basketball Coach  
Member of Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame

# Roy L. Winchester

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Telephone (502)845-5040

July 1, 2008

To the Dawahares/KHSAA Nomination Selection Committee:

This letter supports the nomination of Loy Brashear to the Dawahares/KHSAA *Hall of Fame*. While Loy is from the 5<sup>th</sup> Region, I've known him for many years through his involvement in Kentucky high school sports as a fellow referee in the early 1970's, a member of the KY High School Athletic Association *Board of Control* from 1970-1974, and in my role of *Assigning Secretary* placing basketball officials with the 16 teams in the 8<sup>th</sup> Region from 1976-1999. In all of the ways in which we've associated, I've always thought he's been team-oriented, performed his duties conscientiously and with hard work, shown the highest levels of sportsmanship, and found him to have excellent ethical standards.

Loy had a lot of success as a Sonora (KY) High School softball and basketball player (1956 All-District and All-Conference). He's made many contributions to support for high school athletics including serving as a volunteer golf coach at John Hardin High School in Elizabethtown for five years and sponsoring/chairing two fund-raising golf tournaments for the KHSAA Museum at Pine Valley Golf Club in Elizabethtown.

However, it is his skill as a sports official at which he has excelled. His twenty-five years as a basketball official (including 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments, and four state tournaments in 1973, 1983, 1985, and 1987) have earned him statewide recognition and respect. He also worked ten years as a football official, including officiating at two state play-offs. In 1999, he was elected to the Mid-Kentucky Officials' Association (MKOA) *Hall of Fame*.

Loy exemplifies the purpose of the Dawahares / KHSAA *Hall of Fame* recognition program. His past officiating experience shows he has made extraordinary contributions to high school sports over a great many years and would be a very deserving recipient of this honor.

Sincerely,



Roy L. Winchester

To: Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame

I would like to recommend Loy Brashear for the Hall of Fame. He has a highly commendable background as an official, a volunteer coach, and just a complete friend of high school athletics.

I have officiated with him in football and coached in many basketball games in which he officiated.

Please strongly consider including him for the Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

*By Email*

Ken Metcalf

June 26, 2008

To: Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Committee Members

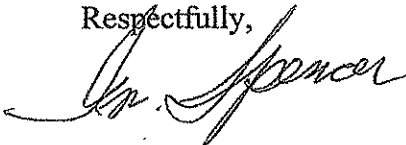
Loy Brashear is one of the finest men in the field of Kentucky High School Athletics that I have had the pleasure to work with. He is smart, bold, and competent. He is one of the fairest and most reasonable professionals that I have worked with since I entered the KHSAA many years ago.

Loy has had many accomplishments over the years. Loy has been an official of football and basketball games for 25 years; officiating in several district, regional, and state tournaments. He was elected into the 5<sup>th</sup> Region Official's Association Hall of Fame in 1999. Loy has also volunteered his time over the years to coaching and fund raising activities as well. In all of these areas of responsibility, he demonstrated the highest level of competency, leadership, and commitment of others.

Loy Brashear's record of professional preparation, work experience, wisdom and devotion to duty speaks for itself. It is with utmost confidence that I would consider Loy Brashear a strong candidate for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame, and I give him my highest recommendation for your consideration.

If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully,



Irvin Spencer

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Irvin Spencer  
2500 Old State Rd.  
Brandenburg, KY 40108  
1-270-422-3294

I would like to nominate Loy Brashear to the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. I think he deserves the honor and below is a list of his accomplishments.

Basketball Official 25 years

20 District Tournaments, 18 Regional Tournaments

State Tournaments 1973, 83, 85, 87

Football Official 10 years

2 State Playoffs

Volunteer Coach 5 years

Golf coach at John Hardin High School, Elizabethtown, KY

Sponsored and chaired 2 fund raising golf tournament for KHSAA Museum

At Pine Valley Golf Club, Elizabethtown, KY

1956 graduate of Sonora High School, Sonora, KY

Played basketball and baseball while in high school. 1956 made all-district and all-conference in basketball.

1999 was elected to the 5<sup>th</sup> Region Officials Association Hall of Fame.

  
Jack Goodman

## Loy Ray Brashear: Nominee for the Dawahare KHSAA Hall of Fame Award.

Despite what you may have heard and read about used car salesmen, this nominee stands tall and far above those normally involved in this occupation. He does not fit the normal profile of many who pursue this line of work in our society.

But first, a word of introduction to the nominee that I have known since the early 1950's as a fierce competitor and rival on the baseball diamond and basketball court. He was outstanding as a basketball official as I observed while coaching basketball in Breckinridge County. His officiating has always demonstrated fairness and respect for the fans, players, coaches and administrators. Then in the 1990's he emerged as a personal and loyal friend to our family and many of his other neighbors in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Loy Ray Brashear was born on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1938, in Upton, Kentucky to the late Elverine and Ernest Brashear. He has one brother, Ronnie Lee Brashear who currently resides in Atlanta, Georgia. After attending Upton Elementary School and graduating from Sonora High School in 1956 he married his high school sweetheart, Phyllis Sullivan, on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1957. This exemplary marriage, lasting for over fifty years, has seen their family increase with a daughter Valerie Colgate and husband Craig of Florence, KY, sons Ricky Brashear and wife Sherry, and Neal Brashear and wife Heather who reside in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. Additionally, Loy and Phyllis have been blessed with eight grandchildren who also reside in the Elizabethtown area. Each of them has or is currently attending elementary and high schools in Hardin County.

During his early years residing in Upton, Mr. Brashear recalls the influence that several men had upon his life and caused his continued love of athletics, especially softball, baseball and basketball. His memory of his Dad's softball team organized in 1945-46, to be competitive in the old south Dixie softball league with Loy as the batboy at the age of eight, engrained a competitive spirit that still lives today. Other men on that team that have left lasting memories for him include Mr. Damon Ray (deceased) former teacher, coach, Principal and Associate Hardin County Superintendent and Mr. Morris Ruettiger, a former President of Fort Knox National Bank. These men continued to influence him in a very positive way as a child and young man as he grew up in southern Hardin County. Mr. Brashear's ability to readily recall names and events from the past is akin to that of Mr. Damon Ray and Mr. Bob Owsley, a graduate of Rineyville High School and retired banker. He is especially thankful for his parents (Elverine and Ernest Brashear) and two other men, J.E. Darter, Pastor, Upton Baptist Church and L.R. Bottoms, Pastor of Upton United Methodist Church with each having a profound influence, impact and direction on his personal and future business life.



Please consider the following reasons why Mr. Loy Brashear should be considered as a recipient of the Dawahare KHSAA Hall of Fame award.

Since graduating from Sonora High School, also attending Western Kentucky University, and Kentucky Wesleyan University, Mr. Brashear has demonstrated a continued concern for his family and others in Hardin County. He has been successful in providing for his family and ensuring that each of them were provided an opportunity to receive the best education possible by attending schools in the Hardin County School system that would adequately prepare them to attend college or enter the business world. After graduation some family members, who have stayed in Hardin County, have been personally trained and mentored by Mr. Brashear to continue the pattern of success in the many business interests that he has established in Elizabethtown Kentucky.

He has continually strived and succeeded at being successful in the business world with his personal employment in the fields of consumer finance, auto rental/sales and residential and commercial real estate. He is currently semi-retired as the President of Brashear's Auto Rental /Sales in Elizabethtown and other real estate interests in Hardin County and Florida. He and his wife, Phyllis, have also been very successful in the construction of numerous homes as well as the renovation and remodeling of older homes in Elizabethtown and throughout Hardin County. They are also actively involved in the commercial real estate construction and rental market in Elizabethtown. Current established businesses include:

**Brashear's Sav-U-Car Rentals**

**Brashear's Auto Sales**

**Brashear's Self Storage**

**Brashear's Commercial Rentals**

He has not confined his talents and abilities to just involvement in banking and consumer finance, auto rental/sale, residential and commercial construction businesses. Mr. Brashear has found the time to give back to the Hardin County community through participation in many volunteer activities and projects in Kentucky and other states. Some of these projects include mission trips with Severns Valley Baptist Church; Four trips to California on Volunteer Construction/Renovation Projects; Three trips to Clear Creek Kentucky Baptist College on Volunteer Construction and Carpentry Renovation Projects; One trip to Jenkins, Kentucky to provide volunteer assistance to a local church; Two trips to Campbellsville University for volunteer carpentry, painting and assistance to renovate a campus dormitory; and Two trips to South Western Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana to renovate a dormitory.

Of special note was a trip to south Florida to assist a family member and her neighbors during the devastating hurricane (Andrew) that hit during the summer of 1992. Upon hearing that his daughter and son-in-law's home had been destroyed, he immediately drove to Homestead to assist his daughter and neighbors to protect their homes and possessions that were not destroyed by the storm. He and his daughter protected the home from looters by actually sleeping in the partially destroyed open garage for several hot Florida days without electricity or air conditioning. This was done until insurance adjusters were able to make contact with them. He also assisted them to move and

**Other membership and volunteer organizations include active membership with the Elizabethtown-Hardin County Junior Chamber Of Commerce, and the Elizabethtown Planning and Zoning Commission.**

**Construction Coordinator/Chairman for the Ben Hogan PGA Golf Tournament event at Pine Valley Golf Course, Elizabethtown, KY in 1990-91.**

**Mr. Brashear has also served as a past baseball coach, official and member of the Elizabethtown Associational Baseball Commission.**

**Was a member of the Kentucky High School Athletic Football and Basketball Officials Association from 1962 through 1987. He has participated in the following:**

**Officiated innumerable high school basketball and football games throughout Kentucky. During this time he was considered one of the best officials in Kentucky especially in the , 3d, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Regions.**

**Officiated -20 District Basketball Championship Games  
16 Regional Basketball Championship Games**

**Officiated-4 Sweet Sixteen State Basketball Tournaments  
2 State Football Championship Games**

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**Member of the KIAC Officials Association during 1970-72**

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**As a graduate of Sonora High School in 1956 he was honored recently as a recipient of the Hardin County School's Distinguished Alumni Award in 2008 for exemplary service in professional and community endeavors and for achieving personal distinction and bringing honor to the Hardin County Schools.**

**Additional volunteer activities that have a special meaning and impact include serving as the first golf Coach of the John Hardin Golf Team for four years, and recent volunteer service as an assistant to the John Hardin golf coach during 2006-07 golfing season.**

**Other interests include participating in softball actively and competitively as a member of Senior Softball Teams playing in leagues in Kentucky and Florida.**

**Mr. Brashear's ability to recall names and events from the past has served him well not only in his many business ventures but has allowed him to make and remain friends of the many people he has come in close contact with across the state of Kentucky through athletics. His willingness to participate in officiating has allowed him to stay close to the sports he's loved since he was a young man and also gain the admiration and respect of his peers throughout the state.**

Mr. Brashear has clearly demonstrated through his involvement in many service projects and activities that he has distinguished himself to the many school coaches, players, and school administrators as a basketball and football official and should be recognized for his contributions to the communities of Elizabethtown, Hardin County and the state of Kentucky. Selection of Mr. Loy Brashear as a member of the Dawahare KHSAA Hall of Fame would be most appropriate to honor someone who has unselfishly served so many through athletics in Hardin County and other areas of the state of Kentucky.

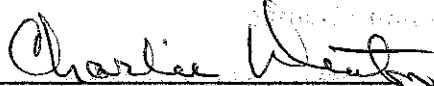
**Name: Loy Ray Brashear**

**Home Address: 106 Anniston Way, Elizabethtown, KY 42701**

**Business Address: 4950 N. Dixie Highway, Elizabethtown, KY 42701**

**Telephone: Business: 270.737.5127**

**Home: 270.300.9074**

**Signed:**  **Date: January 15, 2010**

**Address: 510 Sunningdale Way, Elizabethtown, KY 42701**

**Telephone: 270.300.1887**

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**Date:** 6/23/2008 8:48:06 PM  
**To:** [rmhoggard@kvnet.org](mailto:rmhoggard@kvnet.org)

*This is the letter I received by email. I formatted it and sent the attached copy to KHSAA*

Bob, Here are my thoughts, feel free to edit, add to or change any part you feel necessary. So many years away from the office leaves me feeling a little inadequate when it comes to writing or speaking. My best wishes in the success of this endeavor to honor a very good man.

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Michael E. Speck, Retired Assistant Superintendent of Hardin County Schools

1008 St. John Road  
Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701  
June 23, 2008

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# Hardin schools honor 10 at Distinguished Alumni luncheon

Staff Report

**HARDIN COUNTY** – Ten Hardin County Schools graduates will be honored Wednesday at the 2008 Distinguished Alumni luncheon at Nohn RECC.

The luncheon will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

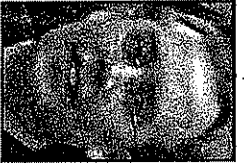
This year's honorees will be Loy Ray Brashear, Kelly Mark Easton, Sandra Cowley Gray, Matthew Creighton Hess, I. Douglas Knight, Jason C. Lambert, E.G. "Red" Sanders, Mary Agnes Hairper Sears, Kay Sharon and Charlie Wise.

Superintendent Nannette Johnston will make the presentations to the honored graduates.

"The individuals selected for this year's Distinguished Alumni are role models for our children currently in school," Johnston said.



**BRASHEAR**



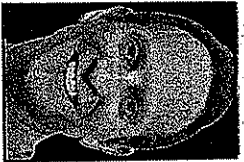
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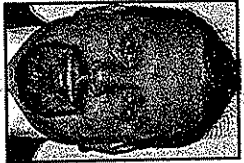
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**KNIGHT**



**LAMBERT**



**SANDERS**



**SEARS**



**SHARON**



**WISE**

"These men and women walked the halls of our HCS buildings as children at one time and used their knowledge and education to be successful in life, and in their respective professions. They also used the character and education instilled in them by their teachers and principals to become giving and caring members of their community."

Here is brief biographical information of the honorees:

**LOY RAY BRASHEAR**

Brashear graduated from Sonora High School in 1956.

He is president of Brashear's Auto Rental/Sales in Elizabethtown and has real estate interests in Hardin County and Florida. He has three other businesses in the area.

Brashear volunteers in many community projects locally, within the state, California, Louisiana and for the John Hardin High School golf team.

**KELLY MARK EASTON**

Easton graduated from North Hardin High School in 1981 and is a Hardin Circuit Court judge. Previously, Easton was an assis-

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7/30/08


To: Selection Committee of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter recommending Loy Brashear to Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. Four distinctive traits of an outstanding high school official are: devotion to boys and girls, the ability to understand all types of athletes, the ability to work in harmony with other officials and school administrators, and have a reassuring attitude. Loy Brashear possesses all of these traits.

I feel that Loy displays each of these essential traits along with many of his own personal strengths. First and foremost, he is a caring person. He cares about his family and is a devoted husband to his wife, Phyllis. Loy cares about his church and has served God through his participation in worship, educational and recreational activities. Above all, Loy cares about people. He has empathy that extends to all of those around him. Loy epitomizes the ideal characteristics of a master official and master person.

I feel fortunate that our paths have crossed during our officiating careers. Loy truly deserves this honor.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hade Durbin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Hade Durbin  
KHSAA Basketball Official 1963-1992



TO: DAWAHARES KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL HALL FAME COMMITTEE

FROM: BOB BUTLER

DATE: JULY 23, 2008

RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR LOY BRASHEAR

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS HAS AFFORDED MANY PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REACH ACHIEVEMENTS THRU THEIR ATHLETIC ABILITIES, BUT ALSO OPPORTUNITES TO HELP OTHERS TO SEEK THEIR ATHLETIC BEST.

ONE SUCH PERSON IS LOY BRASHEAR.

LOY WAS AN OUTSTANDING BASKETBALL AND BASEBALL PLAYER WHILE PLAYING AT SONORA HIGH SCHOOL IN HARDIN COUNTY KENTUCKY. HE ACHIEVED ALL-DISTRICT AND ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS IN BASKETBALL

HIS GREATEST CONTRIBUTIONS TO KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS WAS THRU BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL OFFICIATING. HE IS A 25 YEAR VETERAN OF KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL OFFICIATING, HAVING OFFICIATED 20 DISTRICT, 18 REGIONAL, AND 4 STATE TOURNAMENTS. HE SERVED 10 YEARS AS A FOOTBALL OFFICIAL, WORKING 2 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

HE IS A MEMBER OF THE FIFTH REGION OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME.

LOY'S PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN HELPING OTHERS REACH THEIR ATHLETIC POTENTIAL INCLUDES 5-PLUS YEARS SERVING AS A VOLUNTEER GOLF COACH AT JOHN HARDIN HIGH SCHOOL, SPONSORING AND CHAIRING TWO FUND RAISING GOLF EVENTS TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE KHSAA MUSEUM. HE ALSO HAS BEEN AN ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE ATHLETES AND COACHES IN THE FIFTH REGION, SUPPORTING THEM WITH HIS TIME AND MONEY.

THERE ARE A LOT OF FOLKS THROUGHOUT KENTUCKY WHO ARE DESERVING OF BEING HONORED BY MEMBERSHIP IN THE DAWAHARE'S HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME. ONE SUCH PERSON IS LOY BRESHEAR. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND HIM TO YOU .

*Bob Butler*

2587 Flint Hill Road  
Sonora, KY 42776  
July 22, 2008

Bob Hoggard  
522 Sunningdale Way  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that I support Loy Brashear's nomination for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

Loy is someone I have known for over 50 years. He is well qualified and deserving of this honor.

Loy's sports achievements were all-district and all conference in high school basketball, as well as outstanding baseball player in high school, college and community semi-pro league.

After college he officiated basketball for 25 years at the high school and small-college level. In basketball he called approximately 20 district and regional tournaments, various conference and holiday tournaments and four Kentucky High School State Tournaments. In 1999 Loy was elected to the 5<sup>th</sup> Region Officials Association Hall of Fame.

Mr. Brashear is a successful business man and a civic and community leader. He is a devoted family man to his three children and eight grandchildren. Loy and his wife Phyllis recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

This letter lists only some of the many reasons why Loy Brashear should be considered for nomination into the Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



Bobby L. Humes  
Retired Hardin County School Administrator  
Elizabethtown, KY



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July 8, 2008

To the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee:

It is with great pleasure I recommend Mr. Loy Brashear to you for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. I have known him for most of my life as an athlete who participated in athletic contests that he often officiated. I always thought he was a kind and fair official who treated players, coaches and fans with ultimate respect.

In 2001 as a high school principal, I was faced with the daunting task of overseeing the building of a new high school – hiring staff, implementing curriculum and all programs we would need in our new school. John Hardin was a school that was not taking the place of a school, but rather would receive students from two existing schools – in short not everyone initially welcomed us into the Hardin County community. It was not until this time that I truly understood just how kind and fair of a man Loy Brashear really is. He never waived on his commitment to me or John Hardin High School. He contacted me early on to let me know he was supporting our school. He singlehandedly organized our golf program and coached both boys and girls teams and won our first ever regional championship banner for our school, which still hangs in the John Hardin High School gym.

Loy refused to accept the coaching salary each year he coached, always insisting someone else or another school program needed the money and he just didn't feel it was right to accept it. He always put others first! Loy was there when I needed advice, he was there when some team, club or school organization needed financial support, and he was there to support our school and his community.

I tell you this information because this is who Loy Brashear is – he is a man that makes a commitment to what he believes in and sees it through. He is a man of integrity and extremely benevolent. As a coach he is a person that his players looked up to and admired for his coaching abilities as well as his personal characteristics and his ability to make every player feel valued and a part of the team. In his twenty five years as a referee he was fair and consistent and understood the importance of good sportsmanship in athletic events. As a father he has always been there for his sons. They now have children who admire their grandfather for his kindness and love.

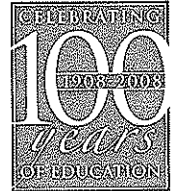
The Dawahares High School Hall of Fame was organized as a means to recognize individuals who have made extraordinary contributions and have had superb accomplishments in Kentucky High School sports. His contribution to Kentucky High School sports is immeasurable. I can think of no individual who is more deserving of the recognition than Loy Brashear. I recommend him to you without reservation.

Sincerely,

Brent Holsclaw

**Brent A. Holsclaw,  
Superintendent**

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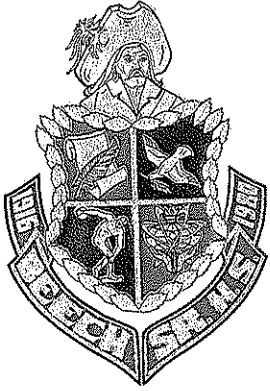
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## BEECH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

3126 Long Hollow Pike  
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Phone (615) 824-6200

**Frank Cardwell**  
Principal

July 9, 2008

Board of Control Members  
KHSAA

It is a pleasure for me to nominate Loy Brashear as a future member of the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of fame. If anyone has ever dedicated their life to High School sports in Kentucky it is Loy. I have known him for at least 30 years and having sat on the Board of Control and reading many resumes of potential members I can tell you that Loy is more than qualified by his credentials to belong. He was a basketball official for 25 years calling 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments and 4 state tournaments. He was also a football official for 10 years calling 2 state playoff games.

There are not many officials like Loy anymore. He did it because he loved high school sports, the players and the coaches. I have always held him in high regard and truly hope you will see fit to elect him into the Hall of Fame.

Frank Cardwell  
Principal

I would like to nominate Loy Brashear to the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. I think he deserves the honor and below is a list of his accomplishments.

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Jack Goodman

650 Lombardy Drive  
Cecilia, KY 42724  
270-862-9045

July 7, 2008

Selections Committee  
Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame  
ATTN: Nomination Committee

Dear Committee Members:

It is an honor and a privilege to write this letter of recommendation for the nomination of **Loy Brashear** to be inducted into the Dawahares/ KHSAA Hall of Fame. This recommendation is submitted on the basis of his numerous years of dedication to the athletic programs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. His participation as a basketball and baseball player, football official, basketball official, coach, and over all involvement in helping young people develop their athletic skills as well as the skills to live a successful life, make him a distinguished candidate. He made major contributions to high school athletics and these are justifiably enhanced through his character displayed through his every day living.

I have known Loy practically all of my life since we went to elementary school through high school as classmates. He was a true friend, and we have maintained that good friendship through the years. We played both basketball and baseball on the same teams. He was an excellent player, making all-district and all-conference in basketball, as well as a natural leader.

As the years passed, Loy became an outstanding basketball and football official. I coached basketball, and at the time coaches hired their own officials. I always scheduled Loy to officiate my biggest rival games because coaches throughout the state had a high regard for his officiating ability, knowledge of the game, and for his integrity. I cannot remember a time when he did not keep the game under control, nor can I remember the opposing coach verbalizing displeasure with his game. When talking with both basketball and football coaches, I received the same response with their regarding Loy in the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and knowledge of the games.

To the best of my knowledge, the following are some of Loy's accomplishments relating to athletics.

- High school basketball and baseball player, making all-district basketball and all-conference basketball teams
- Basketball official for 25 years, including 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments, and 4 state tournaments
- Football official for 10 years including 2 playoffs
- Volunteer golf coach 5 years
- Elected to 5th Region Official's Association Hall of Fame

I have observed the following attributes that justifiably enhance the accomplishments that Loy has achieved.

- Respect throughout the state
- High personal standards
- Solid example for young people
- Dedication
- Good sportsmanship
- Impact on lives of student athletes, other officials, coaches, administrators and fans
- Excellent work ethic
- Enthusiastic, loyal, dedicated and professional

Thank you for consideration of Loy Brashear as a candidate for membership into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. I feel he is most deserving of this recognition or any honor bestowed upon him.

Sincerely,



Don Morris  
Former Basketball Coach  
Member of Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame

Ray Vencill  
152 Roundtop Rd.  
Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
July 3, 2008

To: Dawahare's High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee

I understand that Loy Brashear has been nominated for the Dawahare's High School Hall of Fame. This letter is to support his nomination

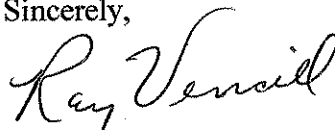
I coached basketball in Kentucky for many years at Richmond Madison and Elizabethtown High School. During that time Loy refereed many of the games that I coached. I lost some and I won some, but in my opinion he was one of the most outstanding referees that I came in contact with during my coaching career. I always knew when Loy walked into the gym, that I was going to get a fair and consistent game called because he worked hard and made every effort to do both. Loy always maintained a good relationship with coaches and players, and strived to create a comfortable atmosphere even in heavily contested rivalry games.

Loy had a business selling cars and I happened to be in his business several years ago. A young man, about 16 years old, stopped in to look at cars. The young man came back into the office and stated that he was interested in purchasing a certain car that was on the car lot. Loy proceeded to tell the young man that he could not sell him that particular car. The boy explained that he had the money on him and wanted to buy the car. Loy told him again that he could not and would not sell him that car. The young man left upset and almost mad. I asked Loy... why didn't you sell that boy the car. His answer was that the car was not a reliable one and no way could he sell that car to that kid or anyone else for that matter. That is Loy, and just one example of how he is straight down the line.

Loy attended Sonora High School in the 1950's where he was a standout basketball and baseball player. He was recognized as an all district and all conference player in basketball. He continued his love for the sport by officiating basketball for 25 years. He called 20 District Tournaments, 18 Regional Tournaments and 4 State Tournaments. He was a football official for 10 years and called two State Playoff games. Loy volunteered as a golf coach at John Hardin High School for several years. He also sponsored and chaired two fund raising golf tournaments for the KHSAA Museum at the Pine Valley Golf Course in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. Loy has been inducted into the Kentucky 5<sup>th</sup> Region Officials Hall of Fame. His accomplishments and involvement in athletics speak for themselves.

It is very apparent that Loy has spent much of his life serving young people, and I am hopeful that he will be recognized for this. Please consider adding him to this honorable and prestigious group of qualified recipients.

Sincerely,





It is a distinct pleasure and honor for me to recommend Loy Brasher as a nominee for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

I first became associated with Loy in the mid 1960's , when I coached basketball at Lindsey Wilson College and he refereed several of our games. During this time, I observed his work at many Kentucky high school athletic events .

I later moved to Elizabethtown, where our association continued to the present day; even though I moved from that area in 1975.

What has always impressed me most about Loy, as a official, was his desire and ability to conduct the games in such a way that the young people were the center of attention. Whether it be a game of importance, as a play-off, or a game of little significant , his attitude, insistence of proper procedure, and his personal work effort was unchanged.

He has always conducted himself, on or off the playing "court", as a gentleman and a outstanding leader of young people. Examples of his leadership can also be seen in his time, effort and , I'm sure, his own funds, that he contributed in his volunteer work.

I can think of no reason why Loy Brashear would not be placed at the top of the list for this honor.

Bob,

I hope this is sufficient. If not, feel free to let me know and I will make any additions, corrections, or alterations that you deem necessary. I have -plenty of time-----just golf every day.  
Thanks for chance to do this.

D. Green

# Roy L. Winchester

PO Box 2; 235 Woods Pike  
Bethlehem, KY 40007

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Telephone (502)845-5040

July 1, 2008

To the Dawahares/KHSAA Nomination Selection Committee:

This letter supports the nomination of Loy Brashear to the Dawahares/KHSAA *Hall of Fame*. While Loy is from the 5<sup>th</sup> Region, I've known him for many years through his involvement in Kentucky high school sports as a fellow referee in the early 1970's, a member of the KY High School Athletic Association *Board of Control* from 1970-1974, and in my role of *Assigning Secretary* placing basketball officials with the 16 teams in the 8<sup>th</sup> Region from 1976-1999. In all of the ways in which we've associated, I've always thought he's been team-oriented, performed his duties conscientiously and with hard work, shown the highest levels of sportsmanship, and found him to have excellent ethical standards.

Loy had a lot of success as a Sonora (KY) High School softball and basketball player (1956 All-District and All-Conference). He's made many contributions to support for high school athletics including serving as a volunteer golf coach at John Hardin High School in Elizabethtown for five years and sponsoring/chairing two fund-raising golf tournaments for the KHSAA Museum at Pine Valley Golf Club in Elizabethtown.

However, it is his skill as a sports official at which he has excelled. His twenty-five years as a basketball official (including 20 district tournaments, 18 regional tournaments, and four state tournaments in 1973, 1983, 1985, and 1987) have earned him statewide recognition and respect. He also worked ten years as a football official, including officiating at two state play-offs. In 1999, he was elected to the Mid-Kentucky Officials' Association (MKOA) *Hall of Fame*.

Loy exemplifies the purpose of the Dawahares / KHSAA *Hall of Fame* recognition program. His past officiating experience shows he has made extraordinary contributions to high school sports over a great many years and would be a very deserving recipient of this honor.

Sincerely,



Roy L. Winchester

To: Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame

I would like to recommend Loy Brashear for the Hall of Fame. He has a highly commendable background as an official, a volunteer coach, and just a complete friend of high school athletics.

I have officiated with him in football and coached in many basketball games in which he officiated.

Please strongly consider including him for the Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Ken Metcalf

June 26, 2008

To: Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Committee Members

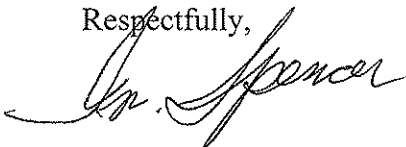
Loy Brashear is one of the finest men in the field of Kentucky High School Athletics that I have had the pleasure to work with. He is smart, bold, and competent. He is one of the fairest and most reasonable professionals that I have worked with since I entered the KHSAA many years ago.

Loy has had many accomplishments over the years. Loy has been an official of football and basketball games for 25 years; officiating in several district, regional, and state tournaments. He was elected into the 5<sup>th</sup> Region Official's Association Hall of Fame in 1999. Loy has also volunteered his time over the years to coaching and fund raising activities as well. In all of these areas of responsibility, he demonstrated the highest level of competency, leadership, and commitment of others.

Loy Brashear's record of professional preparation, work experience, wisdom and devotion to duty speaks for itself. It is with utmost confidence that I would consider Loy Brashear a strong candidate for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame, and I give him my highest recommendation for your consideration.

If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Irvin Spencer".

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TO: *Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame Selection Committee:*

It is a pleasure for me to recommend **Loy Ray Brashear** for Kentucky's High School Hall of Fame.

I have known Loy for many years: First as a basketball official and later as a neighbor and friend.

On many occasions Loy was assigned to officiate my regular season games and then into the regional and state tournament play. He gave it his all. He took time to make assessments that were crucial and always made fair decisions that were in the rules of the game. There have been times I disagreed with his call, but ultimately I knew he had made the right decision.

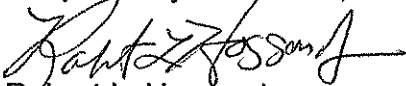
In my acquaintance with fellow coaches and school officials, Loy Brashear has always stood out in their evaluation of him as a knowledgeable student of the game with exceptional work habits and sincere interest in players, coaches and the sport. He exemplifies the model for an outstanding and effective referee as well as a honest and altruistic man. It was always a pleasure to see him walk on the game floor in that "stripped shirt." You knew you could coach your game and it would be officiated in the most professional way.

His dedication to the game, be it basketball, football, the local golf team, or community help, makes Loy a prime candidate for the Hall of Fame. His contribution to Kentucky sports has been greatly appreciated my many people.

As a personal friend, there has never been an occasion that he has not responded to my need. He and his wife, Phyllis, are community minded and are willing to help those who need help. This is special to me and well recognized by all.

For Loy's interest and dedication to Kentucky sports, I highly recommend Loy Ray Brashear to become a member of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

Respectively Submitted,



Robert L. Hoggard

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Member of Dawahare's Kentucky High School Hall of Fame

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To: Dawahares Kentucky High School Hall of Fame,

I first became acquainted with Loy Brashear in the summer of 1955 when he came looking for a pitching position on our Sunday league baseball team. He was well known in the county for his outstanding high school basketball career, having been the leading scorer in the district which at that time was composed of ten high schools. Baseball was not nearly as publicized and his pitching abilities were not widely known. We were in a league that covered three counties and was staffed by several homegrown talents who had gained notice from big league scouts and a few G.I.s who were spending their tour of duty on the diamond. Even against this caliber of talent, it was evident that Loy could hold his own, and not far into the schedule he proved his merit by throwing the only no hitter recorded during my four years in the league. Though he was one of the youngest of our players, he carried himself as an adult and was a model team player.

After being away from the area for six years my wife and I became acquainted with Loy's family and exchanged visits in our respective homes. Both were busy at starting our families and had little time for competitive sports. We were always impressed with the calm atmosphere in a house with three small children, evidence of a couple dedicated to properly rearing their children in a Christian atmosphere. Years later Loy followed me as president of the area's referee's association. Here he had the task of providing leadership and training for younger officials. Never had they experienced a better example of one who could control a game in a fairer manner with the confidence of participating coaches. His meetings were conducted with class, again demonstrating his moral beliefs and leadership skills.

Loy is known and admired in the business community of Hardin County for his entrepreneurship and business skills. He has been a model for other businessmen and especially his two sons who have enjoyed much success through his teaching.

Having retired from the County School system, I am especially proud of the many days and nights that Loy has given to the schools as coach and volunteer for the golf program at John Hardin High School.

He has kept the heart and spirit of a man half his age by staying active in softball leagues and on the golf course.

God has blessed our community with Loy's family and certainly blessed his family with a loving father who stands tall in his church and inspires others in life.

Michael E. Speck, Retired Assistant Superintendent of Hardin County Schools