



SAMMY FRICHTER, JR. 2010 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Sammy Frichter, Jr. is the son of the St. Bernard Parish Recreation Department founding father, the late Sammy Frichter, Sr. He is also the brother of our Sports Hall of Fame president, Dr. Bryan P. Frichter. After a stellar high school baseball career at Chalmette and making his impact on the college level at the University of Southern Mississippi as the leading hitter as a sophomore and senior, Frichter was bitten by the coaching bug. At Wallace Community College in Dothan, Alabama, he carved out an outstanding career while molding his players to become major college players, major leaguers, minor leaguers, college and high school coaches. In his 17 year career at Wallace, Frichter's teams won 482 games and six conference championships. He continued his coaching at the high school, American Legion, AAU, Best-Best and Dizzy Dean levels. After 38 years, Sammy Frichter, Jr. is still coaching baseball as well as directing baseball academies and schools.

EDUCATION:

- » Chalmette High School, 1967 graduate
- » University of Southern Mississippi 1972 Bachelor Degree: Recreation 1973 Masters Degree: Physical Education with emphasis in Coaching and Athletic Administration

ATHLETICS:

HIGH SCHOOL:

- » 1965 District Champs, All-State Legion (Baseball)
- » 1966 All-City (Baseball)
- » Letter Winner Football, Basketball, Baseball
- » 1967 All-City (Baseball)
- » Letter Winner Football, Basketball, Baseball

COLLEGE/SEMI-PRO:

- » 1969 Mid-City Baptist Junior College (New Orleans, LA), All Conference
- » 1969-1972 All-State Semi-Pro (Grun's Drugs)
- » 1970-71 "Leading Hitter" in Louisiana, Semi-Pro
- » 1970-72 University of Southern Mississippi
- » 3 year starter – 3rd Base
- » Leading Hitter, 1970, 1972
- » Team Captain
- » 1972 Louisiana State Semi-Pro Champs
- » Louisiana Semi-Pro "Player of the Year"

COLLEGE COACHING:

- » 1973-1990 Wallace Community College (Dothan, AL), Head Baseball Coach
- » 1974 Conference Runner-up, 3rd in State
- » 1975 Conference Champs, 2nd in state, Coach of the Year
- » 1980 Conference Champs, State Champs, Region 22 Champs
- » 1981 Conference 3rd Place
- » 1982 Conference Runner-up

- » 1983 Conference Champs, State Champs, Region 22 Champs
- » 1984 Conference Champs, State runner-up, Coach of the Year
- » 1985 Conference Runner-up, State runner up
- » 1986 Conference 3rd place
- » 1987 Conference Champs, State Champs, Southeast District Runner-up, Coach of the Year
- » 1988 Conference 3rd place
- » 1989 Conference Champs, State Champs, Southeast District Runner-up, Coach of the Year
- » 1990 Conference 4th place, Coach of the year
- » Conference Record 227-113 68% Overall Record 482-275 64%
- » Alabama JUCO Coach of the year 5 times

OTHER COACHING:

- » 1972 Louisiana Dixie Bayou State Champs, Assistant Coach
- » 1973 Graduate Assistant Coach-University of Southern Mississippi
- » 1974-86 American Legion Post 12 (Dothan, AL), Manager/Head Coach
- » 1978-84 American Legion Alabama State Champs
- » 1975-90 Coached Alabama High School East vs. West All-Star Game
- » 1985 Helped organize and coach the South, Junior College All-Star team game, First JUCO All-Star Game
- » 1988-89 Head Coach East College All-Stars for Alabama Sports Festival

WIREGRASS CARDINALS:

- » 2004 Formed Wiregrass Cardinals Sr. and Jr. American Legion Teams
- » 2005 Formed Wiregrass Cardinals 2nd Jr. Team
- » 2006 Jr Legion Team- State Champs
- » 2007 Formed Wiregrass Cardinals 17U, 18U, 19U, AAU Teams
- » 2007 AAU 19U National Champs
- » 2008 Dizzy Dean State Runner-up 18U
- » 2008 AAU 19U Nationals – 4th
- » 2009 AAU 19U National Runner-up

- » 2009 Best-Best 16U Nationals – 3rd
- » 2010 Best-Best 17U Nationals – 3rd
- » 2010 AAU 19U Nationals- 4th

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

- » 2007 – Present, Owner Coach's Petro (Grimes, AL)
- » 1993 – Present, Founder of Championship Baseball School (Newville, AL)
- » 1992 – Present, Owner Smokies, Inc. (Dothan, AL)
- » 1990-98 Insurance Agent (Dothan, AL)
- » 1990-94 Assistant Director of Summer Programs with Eufaula, AL Parks and Recreation
- » 1988-90 Knights of Columbus
- » Southeast AL Basketball Association
- » 1983-85 Head of Alabama JUCO Baseball Coaches Association
- » 1979-85 Kiwanis Club
- » 1977-90 Director of Summer Baseball Camp (Wallace College)
- » 1974-90 Southeast AL umpires association
- » 2003 *Wall Street Journal* "Businessman of the Year" (Alabama)
- » National Republican Congressional Committee Business Advisory Council
- » Republican Gold Medal Recipient "A Salute to America's Business Leaders"
- » 2004 – Present Director of Wiregrass Cardinal Baseball School
- » 2009-2010 Vice-President, Dothan Miracle League for Handicapped Children