



JIM SIMMET Sebewaing, MI

inducted 2018

Jim was born on December 22, 1940 in Saginaw, Mi. His father moved to Sebewaing in 1946.

His father started a horseshoe dub at this time and Jim started pitching in 1955. Jim helped his father build 7 horseshoe courts in 1967 and tournaments have been held there ever since.

Jim has a wife Shirley and two boys, Patrick and Dave. Jim and Shirley have been married for 56 Years. Patrick passed away from complications of diabetes

Jim, Shirley, Patrick and Dave started pitching in the MHPA at this time. It was a family affair. Jim pitched in class A most of the time and won class 8 in 1979 and 1980. Patrick and Dave pitched as juniors. Their competition was one Tom Williams.

Sebewaing is quite far East of Midland so an association called the M46 was created so pitchers would not have to drive so far to pitch. Jim was instrumental in the running of this association from then on. Jim was tournament director and won the championship 6 years and, was runner up 6 times.

The family also pitched at World tournaments where Jim qualified for class B in 1976.

Jim has pitched horseshoes for 63 years. This is to me quite phenomenal. Jim has pitched and directed and promoted horseshoes for all of his 63 years. Quite a career. Jim will be a great addition to the MHPA Hall of Fame.