# BOB DEATHERAGE MEMORIAL COACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD

#### **Bob Deatherage**

Bob Deatherage lived in Whitecourt all his life, where he and his wife, Carol, raised their family. Bob passed away on April 02, 2003 at the age of 57. As a youth, Bob was one of the first to play in the "modern" Minor Hockey system in Whitecourt. He played senior hockey for the Cats, Commercial League Hockey, and for the Senators Old Timer Club.

From 1978-1981 he coached the Midget program, with no children of his own on the team and a very young family at home. He just wanted to give back to the Hockey system he loved. He also assisted his son's teams at various times.

Bob demanded from this player's honest hard work, respect for yourself, teammates, officials, as well as the opposition. The game was played hard on the ice and ended with the final buzzer. On the bench he was stern and confident; he never used foul language and would not tolerate it from his players. Bob demanded a lot, but always made it fun. He gained tremendous lasting respect from his players and was often sought for his advice and council.

Bob Deatherage was a pioneer of sorts and was one of the first coaches to insist on a "dress code" to each and every game. His great sense of humour had him often offering advice on hairstyles, girlfriends, high school, etc....

This award goes to the coach who has a tremendous positive influence on his players, can get the job done, and make it fun, but most of all, a positive role model for others to follow.

## **Criteria for this Award**

- A) Dedication
- B) Attitude
- C) Ability
- D) Commitment
- E) Fun in Teamwork
- F) Respect for other Coaches, Referees, Parents, and Players
- G) Full-time Coach for the current Season in the Whitecourt Minor Hockey System

### **Award Sponsor**

Infratech Corporation is pleased to provide the annual award recipient with a \$500.00 expense allowance to be used by the recipient for "Personal Hockey Coaching Development & Training".



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#### **Official Nomination Form**

- 1 Nominations can be made by completing this form and returning the completed nomination for in the "nomination return slot" on the Bob Deatherage Memorial Coaching Excellence Award trophy case.
- 2 Nomination forms can be completed by, players, parents, fellow coaches, family, friends, and hockey lovers from Whitecourt or out of town visitors.
- 3 Nomination form must include the name (clearly printed), date, and signature of the person entering the nomination to be considered.
- 4 Recipient will be chosen by a panel consisting of: one representative from Whitecourt Minor Hockey executive, one representative of the award sponsor, and one representative of the Deatherage family.

My Nomination for the Bob Deatherage Memorial Coaching Excellence Award is:

Coach's Name:	Nominated By:
Level: Team Name:	
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