

Bill Blouin, a junior freestyler from Charleston, S. C., was the first recipient of the new Don Lewis Memorial Award, highlighting Florida State's annual Swimming Awards Banquet.

The award honors a former Florida State student and swimmer star, Don R. Lewis, who was killed in action in Viet Nam Feb. 8. It is awarded, according to the school's swimming program, to the "most improved swimmer" during the year.

Blouin was followed by other swimmers such as Dick Anderson, Scott, and Charlie Robertson during the year, also won the "Mr. Team Spirit" plaque, awarded by members of the 1964-65 team.

Tom Lloyd, 6-3 sophomore freestyler from Fremont, O., was recognized as the team's "Most Improved Swimmer."

More than 80 freshman and varsity swimmers were on hand with Seminole coaches, members of the Athletic Committee, and other guests at the annual affair.

Coach N. B. "Bim" Stultz, whose Florida State teams have won 131 meets and lost only

12 in 16, praised members of his staff for their work during the recently completed season.

"And I want to thank you swimmers," Bim added, for swimming as fast as you did... I need the job, and I have a wife and family."

Stultz, the South's winningest coach, was presented with presents by team members, an ice bucket and other gifts.

Blouin and the 11 other juniors on Stultz' 1964-65 team has never been a party to a dual meet loss. A year ago the Seminoles were 7-2, then 8-0 last season, and Stultz' men have a string of 16 straight victories.

The Don Lewis Memorial Trophy was awarded to Blouin by Bill Kidd, President of Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Lewis, a member of Sigma Chi, lettered at Florida State in 1955, 1956, and 1957, and graduated with a BS in Business in 1959. A powerful freestyler, Lewis played a large part in the undefeated seasons of 1954 and 1955, and was a member of the winning freestyle relay team at the '56 Georgia AAUs.

As a member of the Pacific Air Command, Lewis was killed by Viet Cong machine gun fire.