Hall of Fame

The Florida State Athletics Hall of Fame enjoys a rich tradition as its first and largest class (15) was inducted in 1977. At least four individuals have been selected each year since, with the exception of 1996 when no class was inducted as Florida State celebrated its 50th Year Anniversary of Athletics. There are a total of 196 members in the Florida State Athletics Hall of Fame including the 2004 class to be inducted on September 17th.

Margie Wessel Scott

1988 Inductee

Named team MVP the last three years of her college career, Margie Wessel led the Lady Seminole volleyball team to a 127-60 record during her four years at Florida State. Twice during her career, the Seminoles advanced to the AIAW National Tournament. The Miami native was co-captain of the Florida State squad as a senior and was named to the AIAW Region III all-star team in 1979 and 1980.

Gabrielle Reece

1997 Inductee

A Lady Seminole from 1987-90, Gabrielle Reece quickly established herself as a force on the volleyball court. She holds the FSU career and single-season records for solo blocks (240 and 69) as well as the career record for total blocks (747). She garnered AVCA All-Region honors in 1989 and was a Metro All-Conference selection in 1989 and 1990. As a junior, Reece was named to the Metro All Tournament Team after helping to lead Florida State to the Metro Conference Championship. Reece did not go unnoticed nationally either.

She was pegged the 1989 Dodge National Athletic Awards Most Inspiring Collegiate Athlete and was among Rolling Stone Magazine's Wonder Women of Sport that same year. Reece went on to play professional volleyball as the captain of Team Nike for the Bud Light four-woman beach volleyball tour. In addition to her playing career, Reece is also a supermodel and television celebrity. She added "author" to her resumé, when she co-authored her first book, "Big Girl in the Middle," which was released in the summer of 1997.

Dr. Billie Jones

1998 Inductee

As head coach of the Lady Seminole volleyball (1970, 1972-75) and softball (1971, 1972-74) programs, Dr. Billie Jones played a major role in paving the way for the success of women's athletics at Florida State University. Dr. Jones earned her Ph.D. from Florida State in 1972 and began serving as an Associate Professor in the Department of Movement Science and Physical Education in addition to her coaching duties. Under Dr. Jones' direction, the volleyball program compiled a remarkable 107-22 record and made appearances at the AIAW National Championship Tournament in 1973, 1974 and 1975 while competing for state and regional championships along the way. Dr. Jones also coached the 1971 softball team to the state championship and the 1974 squad to a runner-up finish. Dr. Jones devoted her time to teaching full-time in 1975, but continued to be instrumental in the advancement of women's athletics at Florida State. She was recognized for service and dedication to FSU's women's athletics when she was given the Herb Morgan Award in 1982. In 1985, Dr. Jones became a Service Professor in the Department of Movement Science and Physical Education and in 1989, she was honored with the distinction of Professor Emerita. Among her many accomplishments, Dr. Jones has also co-authored four books on coaching and fitness. A scholarship by an anonymous donor, given in the name of Dr. Jones, is awarded annually in the College of Education to a female student who intends to coach.

Maggie Philgence

1998 Inductee

A member of the Florida State volleyball team from 1987-90, Maggie Philgence made a name for herself not only at FSU, but at the conference and national levels as well. Philgence broke six school records during her senior season, three of which still stand, and earned All-Metro Conference and AVCA All-South Region team honors. A powerful hitter, she still ranks among FSU's Top 10 in 14 statistical categories and remains the FSU leader in career kills (2,110) and kill attempts (4,793) as well as single-season kills with 579 in 1990. Upon graduation, Philgence was drafted to the South Team for the Olympic Festival in Los Angeles and helped lead her team to a gold medal. She went on to play professionally with the international league in France.