

Tommy Anderson

1971 - Soccer, Hockey & Baseball



Tommy Anderson was a three-sport athlete at Stoneham High. He was captain of soccer, hockey and baseball, leading all three teams to successful seasons. In his senior year in soccer, he was the only selection from Stoneham to the Middlesex League All Star Team.

During his hockey career, Stoneham won their first Middlesex League title. Stoneham had qualified for the state tournament in 7 of 11 years but finished second 5 years in a row in Middlesex League play. They had gone 17 years without winning a league title (previous title was in GBL 1953). Tommy led the team to a 6-0-1 record down the stretch to win the title. Many of the wins were come-from-behind wins. The title clinching 8-4 win against Concord was led by a three-goal hat trick by Tommy. He, along with his line mates Jim Dolan and Mike Murgia, were the highest scoring line in Middlesex League play his senior year. Tommy led the team in scoring and garnered several hat tricks along the way including many game-winning or game-tying goals. He had two assists in the team's 2-1 tournament win against Dedham. Tommy was a third team Eastern Mass. All Scholastic choice in hockey.

Tommy's baseball career at Stoneham saw him play as a second baseman and pitcher. It was pitching where he became a standout, pitching in both relief and as a starter. During his junior year, as the team defended their Middlesex League title, Tommy was mainly used as a middle reliever. In the drive to the title, Stoneham had to play Winchester three times in three days to determine the tournament representative; and he was instrumental in a key win with the winning hit and earning the pitching win to give Stoneham the title and a tournament berth. In a 12-inning win against Watertown, Tommy relieved eight innings giving up two hits and one run. During Tommy's senior year, as the Spartans paved their way to the state tournament, he pitched a clutch two-hit shutout striking out 10 and resulting in the win.

Tommy and his wife Karen reside in Stoneham and have two grown daughters, Erin and Hillary.